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Applications for Belgian Children Pouring in on Farm and Dairy

H. Bronson Cowan, Managing Director, Farm and Dairy

THAT the sympathy and compassion of the readers of Farm and Dairy have been touched by the terrible condition of the people of Belgium is shown by the manner in which applications to adopt Belgian children are pouring in on Farm and Dairy by every mail. The suggestion we made in the December 10th issue of Farm and Dairy, when we offered to endeavor to bring children from Belgium for adoption into the homes of readers of Farm and Dairy who would volunteer to assist us in the work, has been met with an even greater response than we expected would be the case. Applications for children have now been received from as far east as Prince Edward Island and as far west as the extreme point of south-western Ontario. Quite a number have come to hand from the province of Quebec. Additional applications are coming to hand by every mail.

Since our last letter Mr. Gogor, the Belgian Consul at Ottawa, who has written to his government to see if it will be willing to have its orphan children located in farm homes in Ontario, has written us again definitely promising to advise us of the result as soon as he hears from his government. Mr. W. L. Scott, A.C., of Ottawa, the President of the Association of Children's Aid Societies of the province of Ontario, has written expressing his appreciation of the work Farm and Dairy is doing and welcoming our cooperation in any work that the Children's Aid Societies of the province of Ontario may do in the same direction. This means that Farm and Dairy will be able to work with the Children's Aid Societies of Ontario in carrying this work to a successful conclusion if the cooperation of the Belgian government to the work is finally obtained.

Mr. J. J. Kelly, the Superintendent of Neglected and Dependent Children of the Parliament Buildings, Toronto, writes us that he has been greatly interested in Farm and Dairy's effort. He expects that we will have a hearty response to our appeal because the great warm heart of humanity is going out in compassion to these unfortunate children. Mr. Kelly points out that there is a possibility that all the children will be cared for in the Old Land, in which event he thinks it will be well for us to give "Our Folks" an opportunity to adopt some Canadian children if they so desire. In concluding Mr. Kelly says: "Farm and Dairy has rendered excellent service to the children's cause in the past for which I feel deeply grateful."

In next week's issue we will report the result of our editor's visit to government officials at Ottawa. The report reached us too late for insertion in this week's issue.

Interesting Requests

The letters reaching Farm and Dairy from "Our Folks" who offer to adopt Belgian children are full of interest. Many are from well-to-do people who, having no children of their own, feel that they give them an opportunity to help others and to bring sunshine into their own homes as well. Other letters are from old couples whose children have grown up and left the farm, and who feel that they would like the companionship of children once more. Other letters are from people who have one or more children, but who feel that they still have room for more.

One lady writing from Prince Edward Island states that having no children of her own, she would like to adopt two Belgian orphans, Protestants in religion. She wants a little

boy between nine months and five years of age and a little girl anywhere between the age of two and eight years, and concludes her letter by saying: "I will try to give them good care and to use them in every way as I would my own."

A gentleman writing from the Algoma District, offers to adopt two boys, 12 to 10 years of age, Catholic in religion. He adds, "I will try and do for them in every way to enable them to grow to be good Canadian citizens. We will do all in our power to be just to them in every way." This gentleman asks what language the children will speak. For the benefit of all our readers we here state that we believe most of the children speak French, but we cannot give definite information on this point in next week's issue.

Still another of "Our Folks" writes from Elgin county: "We have a comfortable home and will gladly adopt one of these homeless children. We would prefer a boy between five and 10 years of age. We have a church and school within a mile. We are past 60 years of age, and feel like a young heart and hand to cheer and help us. If such a one comes to our home we will receive it as the gift of God and will teach him to love and serve God and humanity."

Mr. and Mrs. S. of Hastings county, write: "We have no girls and would like to adopt a girl from 12 to 16 years of age as a daughter." They add that they have a nice little farm in the Home, but they prefer to help the Belgians.

Quite a number of those who write us state that they believe that other people in their vicinity would be willing to adopt a child if given an opportunity. One man offers to canvass his friends. Another reader offered to bring the matter up at the municipal commission, who will, we hope, have made helpful suggestions. We hope that nothing will arise to prevent our finding for all these homes just the children for which they are longing, and for the Belgians who are suffering want, such homes on farms in Canada as they need.

Free Short Courses in Horticulture

A free short course in horticulture is being held at Macdonald College, Pelt, Ste. Anne, which is intended to give practical information on fruit growing and vegetable gardening to business men and farmers who have not the time to devote to a longer course. In addition to the regular lectures considerable time will be given to a discussion of the different subjects and the answering of questions.

Fruit-Growing.—The apple orchard, planting, management, renovation, pruning, spraying, box and barrel packing demonstrated, and the marketing of the fruit; plum and cherry culture, straw-berry, raspberry and currant culture.

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General.—Improvement of the home surroundings, fungus diseases of fruits and vegetables, insect pests and how to combat them, and making the lime-sulphur wash and the Bordeaux mixture, demonstrated. The course will be made as practical as possible.

For further particulars address Dr. F. C. Harrison, Principal, or T. G. Bunting, Professor of Horticulture, Macdonald College, Ste Anne de Bellevue, Que.



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