

While in some cases there were wide margins between maximum and minimum figures in reply to several questions, we wish to say that the great majority of the replies were very close to the average, thus showing a careful and intelligent consideration of the subject.

The following quotations from the replies sent in should certainly be worthy of consideration :

Messrs. C. J. McFarlane & Sons, of Fox Harbor, Cumberland County, grow from 3 to 4 acres each year. They say that they consider the root crop the most valuable one grown on the farm, and that they would not know how to attempt to feed stock through the long winters without roots.

Mr. J. R. Semple, of Brule, Colchester Co., who grows 3 acres, says that he does not think stock can be fed profitably in our Province without a liberal supply of roots.

Mr. C. A. Archibald, of Truro grows from 10 to 15 acres; and says he would not attempt to raise and feed cattle without roots. He has made excellent beef and raised fine stock on turnips and mixed hay and straw, with no grain whatever.

Mr. F. D. McCurdy, of Middle Musquodoboit, Halifax Co., grows about 3 acres annually. He says: "It gives me pleasure to speak a word on behalf of the Turnip, which in my mind is the most essential crop for the Maritime Province farmer to grow. It is only necessary to give this crop a fair trial and the question is settled, as no farmer of stock will ever attempt to winter stock on dry fodder or once seeing the beneficial results of a generous supply of roots.

Ronald Chisholm, of Antigonish, says he considers Turnips the most important farm crop, and he would not attempt to do business without them. He now grows 2 acres, and explains that, owing to improved methods employed, he can handle the two acres as easily as he could a half an acre a few years ago.

D. R. Nicholson, of Coxheath, C. B., who grows 5 acres, says there should be no trouble to get farmers to grow roots. He considers the crop requires less labor than any other farm crop and never fails.

Samuel Dickie, Onslow, Colchester Co., who grows about 8 acres, says he would not like to have to raise any kind of stock without roots. He says they are almost as essential as hay. They improve digestion, and cattle that are fed a liberal supply of roots are more healthy than those fed on dry fodder alone.