

**OUR FARMERS' CLUB**  
Contributions Invited.

**PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**  
KING'S CO., P. E. I.  
CARDIGAN BRIDGE.—Farmers are busy spring plowing and sowing land for oats. A few early potatoes are planted but very little seedling one as yet (May 9) as land is keeping cold. Prices are as follows:—Oats, 45¢ to 48¢ bush; potatoes, 21¢ to 25¢ bush; wheat, \$1.25 to 1.2¢ bush; barley, 75¢ bush; eggs, 17¢ a dozen; pork, 10¢ a lb.; beef, 5¢ to 7¢ a lb.; mutton, 10¢ and high in price, bringing from \$125 up. Fat cattle sell for 45¢ to 5¢ a lb. weight—H.P.

**ONTARIO**  
HASTINGS CO., ONT.  
CHAPMAN.—Seedling operations are almost completed; grain is making a fairly good growth. We have had several hard frosts but little or no apparent damage was done to crops. New seedling is looking well and where alfalfa was sown last year it is a splendid crop. Apple trees have stood the winter well and give promise of a good crop of fruit this season. The prospects for clover are not so good as they were earlier in the season, as the price has dropped to 10-13-15¢ a lb.—H. S.

**PETERBORO CO., ONT.**  
The farmers of the Peterboro, Lindov and Bethany districts are fortunate in having available for service so fine a representative of that noted and far-famed draught breed, the Clydesdale at the station, Golden Glean (11730) imported, the property of Mr. J. F. Staples, Ida, P. O., Ont., and which is doing so good a front cover this week. Golden Glean attracted much favorable attention at the recent local and provincial shows. He won first prize and sweepstakes gold medal at the Lindsay Horse Fair, 1910, also first prize at the Peterboro Spring Station Show, 1910. It augurs well for the horse breeding interests of this section that so fine a Clydesdale is to be had. Golden Glean already assured a prosperous season.

**NORTHUMBERLAND CO., ONT.**  
EDVILLE.—Mr. Smith Hinman of this place lost a good cow lately under unusual circumstances. She was taken unwell several days before she died, during which a veterinary prescribed medicine for her without effect. Upon examination after death a man was found protruding from her stomach. Evidently she had swallowed it with her food.—S. H.

**WELLINGTON CO., ONT.**  
GUELPH.—From reports received it is learned that the crops are in a much better state than has been expected. The heavy frost of a week ago affected the barley to some extent, but not sufficient to hurt it. The crops have revived after the severe wet spell and from present indications the grain on the high lands will not be affected in the least. In the low-lying sections water is still lying on the fields in some places. The effect of this cannot be estimated as yet, but it is not anticipated that it will be so serious. The outlook is much better than was expected.—T. G.

**BRUCE CO., ONT.**  
HEPWORTH.—The wet weather of April delayed seeding, and some of the early sown grain has been drowned. There is a considerable quantity of grain yet to sow, as the ground has been too wet to work, which shows the great necessity for good drains. There has been very little tile draining done as yet. There is a good demand for milk cows and they range in price from \$35 to \$50 each. There is every indication of lots of fruit as the trees are loaded with bloom. A number of new barns are being built. This is the first spring for a number of years that I have not heard of a number of sheep being killed with dogs. The muzzles on the dogs

are a good thing for those who are trying to raise sheep.—J. K. L.  
**MIDDLESEX CO., ONT.**  
LAMBERTH.—In conversation with an old gentleman about four score, of this place, the writer enquired about the fruit for family use in the early days. His reply was: "We had wild fruits in great quantities, such as plums, raspberries, currants and berries, all in many varieties. The plums grew mostly on the flats of the creek, and produced great crops, most of which were rich, meaty and delicious. I could go out and in half an hour come back with bushfuls of quantities, not one of them "stung." Then we had red, black, straw, goose, cran, blue and thimble berries, all ripening in their season, in over-ripening quantities, and rich in flavor. All this fruit growing on the loamy new land was naturally large in size, while it was certainly sweet and appetizing in quality. The first apples that we raised, although natural fruit, were fine large specimens, with scarcely a blemish to be found in one of them.—J. E. O.

**MIDDLESEX CO., ONT.**  
GLANWORTH.—In very early time near here was a deer's lick, or a salt spring. Here the deer used to come and obtain salt by drinking the water and licking around. One enterprising hunter conceived the idea of making a good deal of money. He erected a high stand near the spring, and cunningly hid from view. Here he waited for the deer, but one night, while at his vigil, he became drowsy to sleep, and in rolling over fell from the platform and broke his leg, which stopped that manner of hunting for a time.—J. E. O.

**LAMTON CO., ONT.**  
ALVINSTON.—Early varieties of apples, such as Astrachan, Wealthy and King, are about the best for home use, and are light, however, for a good crop. Late varieties are all right. Burbank and other early varieties of plums are badly damaged. Late varieties may make one-half crop. Peaches are badly damaged but there is plenty left for a bumper crop. The common varieties of cherries are mostly all damaged from the frost of a month ago. English varieties are O.K. Pears are all right. Early varieties of strawberries were badly damaged. Late varieties are not much hurt.—E. F. A.

**MANITOBA.**  
WINNIPEG, May 11.—Reports from the agents of the Canadian Pacific Railway received at the local office to-day, indicate that rain is needed generally through the west. On the Lacombe branch there was several good showers during the week. The weather is cool, with showers, on the Mowbray branch, and there were showers at Pilot Mound. At Sturgeon the weather is warm and the land dry.  
Kenyon and Fleming report wheat up two inches in places, at Waskada up five inches, for Sturgeon and Blinworth up one inch. Similar reports come from numerous points. At a number of stations conditions are reported as quite favorable, although the weather continues dry.

**MARQUETTE DIST. MAN.**  
KELLOE.—The seeding is well advanced. Wheat is showing about three inches above the ground. The weather was dry and exceedingly windy. The prairie affords splendid pasture already. There has been a considerable drop in the oat market, but prices for cattle and hogs are still exceptionally good. There is almost a butter famine in Winnipeg, which makes the price for butter very high. Not many farmers keep cattle, except for home use on account of the lack of moisture. There is only about a quarter and the number of cows kept in this district now that there were ten years ago.—J. M.

**SASKATCHEWAN**  
HUMBOLDT DIST. SASK.  
VONDA.—The weather is very dry; no rain since October last, and only one foot of snow. The weather is still dry and dishched seeding. Newcomers are plowing all the time by oxen, horse, steam and gasoline plows. The new plows are all in sets of four for 16 in. bottom plow, as it is very hard to break land on the prairie. Rain is not expected before the end of this month. If it comes then we will save the crop, so old settlers say. A good pair of oxen are worth from \$200 to \$250. What is worth at the present time, is not so for No. 1 hard. French people are coming here from Quebec, Dakota, Minnesota, Oregon, Ontario, Indiana, Wisconsin, etc. Separate and Public schools. All want one thing—that is success in farming.—A.F.

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Mr. John W. Todd of Maple Leaf Stock Farm, Corinth, Ont., writes that his advertisement in Farm and Dairy has paid well, and during the past few months he has sold three Berkshire sows and nine hogs, 16 Hanworth sows and four boars, 16 different individuals, some of these in the United States. It pays to advertise in Farm and Dairy.

PLEASED WITH HIS PIG—I am in receipt of a pure bred Chester White pig sent me by Farm and Dairy in return for a club of nine (9) new subscribers to that paper. This pig was bred by Mr. F. H. Reesor, of Cedar Grove. This is a fine animal and I am well pleased with it. I am going to try and get more new subscribers for Farm and Dairy in the near future.—John Bannister, Grey Co., Ont.

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