

Opportunities on the Farm

Gordon McGregor, Northumberland Co., Ont.

It is stated that 80 per cent. of the automobiles in the United States are owned by farmers. Why can't we have an even higher percentage in Ontario with heavy draft horses selling at \$250 to \$300; winter eggs selling at a premium, while \$1,000 is a common thing for a fair-sized well-kept orchard? Dairy cattle (registered) sell from \$100 to \$1,000 each, while the supply of hogs, milk, etc., is away below the demand. Yet farmers fail to produce these products.

Farming is bound to go ahead if it is given a chance. Few farmers keep books for there are few who can, as it is not taught in our public schools. Fewer still have an office in which to transact business. Imma-

gine a doctor or lawyer without an office, yet these men only make a living and sometimes not a very good one at that, while a farmer could actually turn his farm into a gold mine by adopting proper business methods.

If you find anyone keeping an account on a farm it is generally the boy. He sees his father transact business and put the money down in his deep, cavernous pockets. The father goes to town and spends it all, then comes home and tells the book-keeper what he spent wisely, but doesn't tell what he spent foolishly on tobacco and the like. The boy's balance sheet still shows a good profit. He suggests some needed improvements on the place. The father loudly declares he hasn't money for such foolishness, declaring that it is only for rich people to think of such things, and the boy, his ideal of a great, well managed farm broken, either becomes an easy going discontented farmer like his father, or throws it up in disgust for some other less profitable sphere in life.

Lime in the Stable

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At various times I have seen it advocated that dairymen use lime on the stable floor to ensure cleanliness. The use of this lime would cause one of the greatest wastes that could happen around the farm. Lime hastens the decomposition of the manure and the escape of the ammonia in the form of ammonium carbonate. And ammonia contains nitrogen, the most valuable element of plant food.

If we must use a clarifier in the stable, let it be lead plaster or phosphate. It has the effect of saving the ammonia in the form of the solid ammonium sulphate. This is a small point but an important one.

How to Restore Competition

Warren E. Irwin and Co., Stock Brokers and members of the Consolidated Stock Exchange of New York, in a recent market letter, discuss the causes of the high cost of living. Coming from those who are usually supposed to profit through conditions as they are, their ideas are worthy of consideration. The following is an extract from their letter:

"We believe in competition—equal opportunities to all to produce and to exchange products. But two important reforms are necessary to restore or to create such freedom of production: 1. Abolish all tariff and other laws that grant special favors and create monopolies. 2. Remove all other taxes and obtain all revenue by taxing what is called the unearned increment of land values.

"We hope that the voters of this and other countries will agree with us in time to experiment with these simple reforms, before they make experiments with Socialism—very dangerous experiments as we fear they will prove to be. We are quite certain that Governor Wilson does not fully understand the profound meaning of these two apparently simple reforms. Otherwise, he would, as we believe, not lay such great stress upon anti-monopoly legislation, as he laid recently when he announced his 'sweeping program of changes in the corporation laws of New Jersey' and the introduction of seven drastic anti-monopoly bills. Free and unrestricted competition can never be restored by putting trust officials in jails and penitentiaries. It will be restored only when we remove those officials from temptation by wiping out the special privilege laws that are back of all monopolies. Much will be accomplished by reducing tariff duties to a revenue basis."

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When the news went out last week that Mr. Geo. H. Pedlar was dead, many thousands of people experienced a sense of loss. These were the farmer people who these many years back have come to know Mr. Pedlar through his personal signed advertisements, each carrying his portrait.

In November, when we saw Mr. Pedlar last, he talked of living to be 100 years old. He was then completing the Pedlar mausoleum, in the Union cemetery at Oshawa, to have it ready when the end did come. He was always looking ahead—always a man of vision—great vision—even unto death! Had you seen the man and been given to reading heads, you would have observed the reason for his vision and intuitive sense.

His was an unusual head, as you may have noted in his advertisements; it was truly remarkable in its makeup, giving him withal great faculties of vision and initiative. And that great strong jaw of his, how it could hold on and drive him to persevere in spite of any odds!

He was originally a tinker; had a small tinshop establishment in what was then a very small town. Now, at his death, he leaves a gigantic institution—an immense business—the plant in Oshawa being the largest concern of its kind under the British flag and doing a business of some \$4000 a day.

His vision, or faculty of imagination, early led him to see clearly how he must advertise to let people know he was in a business making a product that they needed. His ads. are familiar to everyone throughout the land. For years he used full pages in the leading farm papers, and to-day his Company is one of the largest users of Canadian farm paper advertising space, creating a market, ever growing, and assisting sales.

Now, although the chapter is closed for him on earth, his business will go on. The Pedlar People, Ltd., have branch offices and large warehouses in Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, London, Chatham, Winnipeg and Vancouver, and in several other important centres, and their goods are handled by agents in many foreign countries.

Truly great is this business made so by the personality of Mr. Pedlar, whose vision of the possibilities of the country has made his name and products known to the farm homes of Canada, of course, including those of the readers of Farm and Dairy—

"A Paper Farmers Swear By"