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## How the United Farmers' Cooperative Co., Ltd., Does Business

"W OULD you kindly advise me adversity in their adherence to the how the United Farmers' Co-principles of rural organization.

Desires with the Farmers' Cluber' in their adherence to the business with the Farmers' Cluber' in solisi year, maintained his slandwrites a Peterboro county subscriber the farm and Dairy. "A couple of knockers of their way of doing business and may self had an argument about the clubs and the company, but out the clubs and the company, but out the company had a rake off the company had a rake off that the feed man or village merchant would otherwise get. I thought difference in the company had a rake of the formers' Home Grange. Eracus, but want sure as to how organized force output from a severe operation (the stary of the Dominion Grange. He was the surviving member of the Farmers' Home Grange. Eracus, but want sure as to how organized force years ago. It is sad that such men as he are forced to they did it. One of these men is a merchant, who also sells carloads of mill feeds, and the other a drover. They naturally would try to make out it was no good to the farmers.

right to have a say with the other. These are our heroes, John Ramsay branches as to how the company shall and such as he, yet our agricultural be managed, its prices regulated and college calls for agricultural leaders, the profits adjusted. It is hardl-ne-will they get them under these concessary to 1-int out that your branch ditions? Would they know them if has no means of knowing what the they appeared? The true type is profits are of other concerns with plassing from among us, while those which you do business or how their of the objectionable class are lauded prices are set. Each year the Co. The Grance mourse with the last prices are set. Each year the Co-operative Jompany holds a meeting in Teronto, to which the branches are in-vited to send delegates, where they are furnished with a full statement of its operations and where its policy is determined

"The by-laws of The United Farmers' Cooperative Co., Limited, stipulate that the profits shall not exceed seven per cent. Should they exceed seven per cent the excess is to be as may be determined, either by re-bates or by a lowering in the price of Thus you will see that the Cooperative Company has no power to hold up the clubs or to take advan-tage of them in the matter of prices charged. The Cooperative Company charges a small commission on the goods handled. Part of this commis-sion at present is turned over to the secretaries of the local organizations, but this arrangement may not be con-

"It is necessary that the company E. S. Sowden. should charge a small commission or it Coal and cottonseed meal were could not exist. Its object, however, bought in conjunction with other clubs is not to obtain a large commission as and to the financial benefit of the is the object of most retailers, dealers members. On the seed orders also, a and middlemen, but to reduce the cost discount of from five to 10 per cent of handling these goods to its mem-was received on account of the size bers. In some lines of goods where of the order. In some lines of goods where of the order. In some lines of goods where of the order. In some lines of goods where of the order. In some lines of goods where of the order. In the order of the order, and the order of th "It is necessary that the company E. S. Sowden. trust this answers your meetion, but in the food for thought afforded. Del if you would like further information gates were present from other clul we will be please! to fa-raid hit."

#### One of Canada's Makers

By J. J. Morrison.

N the death of John Ramsay of Women's Institute.

Eden Mills, the Dominion Grange
has lost one more of its faithful An acceptable Christmas present—
based who have stood test of time and Farm and Dairy for one year.

tary of the Dominion Grange. He was the last surviving member of the Farmers' Home Grange, Eramosa Township, Wellington county, organized forty years ago. It is sad that such men as he are forced to leave us. They are the men that made this province what it is. Strong in body and in mind they transfers. mill feeds, and the other a drover. Heave us. They agree the men that they naturally would try to make out it was no good to the farmers. "A fow members of a local club don't understand anythine about how the buying and selling is done, as they don't attend the meetings. Any time the buying and selling is done, as they don't attend the meetings. Any time processing they would say, 'Oh, I guess it's no good.' Fellows like them are good advertisers for the merchant."

Farm and Dairy's Reply "The United Farmers' Cooperative Co., Limited, is, as the name implies, a cooperative company. If which are ever ready to lead them pure branch owns any stock in the military prowess and commercial company it gives your branch a full crinity of the control of the company shall be managed, its prices regulated and its profits adjusted. It is hardinen.

The Grange mourns with the relatives of the faithful one gone to rest.

#### Central Brant Farmers' Club

THE Central Brant Farmers' Club was organized in the winter of 1913-14. Organization, however, was as far as its activities went that season. In the fall of 1914 a commitseason. In the fall of 1914 a commit-tee was appointed to draw up a pro-gram for the winter season. Two meetings a month were arranged for and the attendance throughout the winter of 1914-15 was always good. The discussions were altogether of an educational nature and much interest was taken

Commercial activities have not yet Commercial activities have not yet assumed a place of much importance. Last spring, clover seed and seed corn were bought cooperatively. The seed was shipped Co.D. and most of it paid in advance. Clover purchases totalled \$700 or \$800. Business was done largely through the secretary,

in the food for thought afforded. Delegates were present from other clubs and we had a most enjoyable time."
The meetings of the winter were held alternately, one of an agricultural nature and the other of a general character in combination with the Wanney's. Institute.

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