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I had buckwheat there after one. I had buckwheat there after clover last fall, and you can see the result for yourself. I also make a practice of present the oat ground as soon as the crop the oat ground as soon as the crop the oat ground late in the fall. I do this to observe the control of the control

same year, oats the next year, then a hoed crop followed by barley seeded to clover. I cut hay only one year to clover. and then plow the sod down again this time substituting wheat for oats.

The wheat is generally seeded down for one year's hay."

GOOD AND BAD MANAGEMENT.

By this time we had reached the back of the farm. I could not but notice the contrast between the two farms. The adjoining one was of the same size as Mr. Blagden's. The crops, however, were neglected and it lacked that finished appearance that indicated good management. I en-quired casually how much help that farmer had and found that there were three men on the farm. Mr. Blagden three men on the farm. Mr. Blagden had previously told me that he did practically all of his own work; in fact, that he had paid out only \$17 in wages so far this season. And what a difference between the farms! As I was marvelling over the efficiency with which all of the efficiency with which all of the season.

iency with which all of the work was iency with which all of the work was done, we came upon a little plot of potatoes planted at one end of the al-falfa field where the original crop had been killed out by blue grass. "I guess I will have to harrow this again," remarked Mr. Blagden, "The blue grass is getting a start." There was a blue grass show the was a blue grass shoot to be seen here and there, but not enough to nere and there, but not enough to cause most farmers any concern, "I never let the weeds get a start if I can help it," said the proprietor in reply to my comment. "The potatoes have been harrowed twice already, and they will be harrowed again immediately."

May not this be part of the explanation of how one man manages his farm so efficiently? He does the right thing at the right time. pushes his work rather than allowing his work to push him. POULTRY AN IMPORTANT DEPARTMENT.

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Poultry is another of the money
makers. This year only 200 chickens
were hatched. Last year, however,
there were 700 chickens reared. "I
only keep about 60 laying hens over
winter," said Mr. Blagden. "I sell the pullets for breeding stock, if I can. What are left of the pullets and can. What are left of the punch, tak-all of the cockerels are dressed, tak-en to the Hamilton market, 12 miles distant, and sold at retail. In the spring as soon as the breeding season is over practically all of the winter layers are dressed and sent to market, as fowl are higher in the spring

ket, as fowl are higher in the spring of the year than at any other time. There are only six hens around the place at the present time."
"My poultry afford me a profitable home market," said Mr. Blagden, "for all of the wheat that is grown on the farm, and more, too. This spring I bought 69 bushels. In fact, I do not make a practice of selling anything off the farm excent notatos. turnips. off the farm except potatoes, turnips, butter, pigs, surplus cattle and a colt or two. That is the only way to build up a farm,"

PAYING FOR A HOMB.
When Mr. Blagden bought his farm in 1900 the buildings consisted of an old fashioned barn. He lived with his father and worked his own farm on the side for three or four years. In 1996 he built his barn and started to live on the farm. In 1910 the fine house seen in the illustration was



A Fine Study in Dairy and Jersey Breed Type

built; "and paid for in one season," finished Mr. Blagden. I thought must have misunderstood him, but was assured that I had heard right. The 50 acres had built the house and given the family a living, all in one

The latest addition to the Blagden homestead is an auto for which a handy steel garage has been built behind the house. This machine learned was paid for out of the profits of the farm last year, and is one of the most appreciated implements The whole family, around the farm. around the farm. "The whole family, five of us, went to Niagara in our car this spring," Mr. Blagden told me. "We made the trip of 137 miles on five and one-half gallons of gasoline, or about three-quarters of a cent a mile. I have only had the car three months, so you can see I am a green

MACHINERY ON SHARES I had always understood that the small farmer must be forever hampersmall farmer haus or forever hamper-ed by lack of machinery. I asked Mr. Blagden how he gets around this difficulty. "Here is a list of all of the machinery I have on the farm," said he: "A walking plow, a spring tooth harrow, a spring tooth cultiva-tor, a single row scuffler, a roller and a grain drill. I borrow the binder, mower and rake from my father, who lives near here. In return for the use of this machinery I keep it in repair; and good repair. I find that if machinery is allowed to get out of repair that one break soon causes another break, and before long the imother break, and before long the scrap plement is useful only for the scrap heap. Our binder has cut 14 crops, and is good for many more. The mower has been in operation only one year less. You may say that I have an advantage here, but why would it not be possible for small farmers to own machinery cooperatively and elim-inate that difficulty completely?" Success looks easy when you meet

it face to face. It does seem easy for some men, of which Mr. Blagden is one. My new-found friend had some capital to start with, but not a great deal. The farm was run down, and with no good buildings on it when he These buildings got it. These buildings were built altogether on the profits of the farm. Be the farm large or small it would seem to be the man that makes it success or a failure. Mr. Blagden has not gone all of the way yet. He now considering the erection of a lo. He knows that his stock car can stand much improving. But we know that he will "get there." I said that he will "get there." I I said good-bye regretfully. The enthusiasm of this young man who loves his job was contagious, but I had to meet my friend down at the next corner and I was 15 minutes late as it way.

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