COUNTRY NOTES AND PRICES

HASTINGS CO., ONT.

ELDORADO.—Harvest is nearly finished. Threshing is just commencing. Hay was a much better crop than last year, but owing to the fact that there is no old hay in the country the price will be high. Oats and barley are short and light. Very little wheat was sown, and spring wheat was a failure. Fall wheat was fair, as was also peas. Fruit seems fairly good, and corn is excellent. Other hoe crops are fair. Cheese factories are not doing as well as usual, owing to many cows having been disposed of last winter. In many factories the yield of milk is about 75 per cent. of last year's run.—F. A. C.

MADOC.—We are having very poor harvest weather. Harvesting is about half done. Threshing has commenced. The grain is not yielding very well. Wheat is yielding about 20 bushels an acre; barley about 27 bushels an acre, and oats from 30 to 35 bushels to the acre. No peas threshed as yet. Roots look much better than two weeks ago. Pastures are looking better also. Some akike that has been threshed yielded well. The cheese on the Madoc cheese board yesterday all sold at 12 5-16c. Hogs are selling at $6.60 live weight.

VICTORIA CO., ONT.

SOUTH VEREULAM.—Harvest is nearly completed. The crops on the whole have been good. Some excellent crops of oats are being harvested, which give promise of a very heavy yield. Very little fall wheat was grown, but what there was was fairly good. The new threshing outfit purchased by the farmers of this section last fall, is again getting to work, and should have a very successful season. The farmers report that this method of owning their own outfit is proving very satisfactory. Each farmer pays for his own threshing at a fixed rate per hour, and thus the cost of paying for the machine is fairly equalized.—C. F.

DURHAM CO., ONT.

JANETVILLE.—The harvest is all cut. The crops on the whole have been normal. Oats in some places are light. Peas are a good crop. Alsike has been an exceptional crop. There is a good prospect for red clover. Potatoes are a failure in some places. If the weather keeps fine, the harvest will be over by the 22nd inst.—J. P.

NOTHUMBERLAND CO., ONT.

CAMPBELLFORD.—Barley is short in the straw. It is also light in the grain. On the whole it is less than a third of a crop. Oats are a fair crop, but are more or less rusted. The early sown peas are very good. The later ones are useless. They possess a good growth of vine, but are not filling properly. During the dry weather the cows went down in their milk considerably. Since the rain however they have come up to something near their normal flow.—R. U. C.

ONTARIO CO., ONT.

The farmers of Ontario county are to be congratulated upon the success of their efforts in agitating for a branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture at Whitby. The branch has been inaugurated, and J. H. Hare, B.S.A., is in charge. Mr. Hare will welcome all farmers to call upon him. He will go out into the country and become acquainted with the farmers, and learn the conditions prevailing in their district. His work will be to help farmers in every way within his power, and to solve the problems perplexing them. His skill and special information regarding agricultural matters is at their service. Farmers living outside of Ontario county within possible reach of Whitby, should not fail to take the fullest advantage of the benefits to be derived from having this office located in their midst.

BRANT CO., ONT.

FALKLAND.—Hay was an average crop; nearly all of it was stored in good condition as we had very good hay weather during the early part of the season. Clover was extra heavy where it was not killed out by the drought last year. Timothy was short. Wheat was only an average crop but is quite plump. There was considerable rain during harvest which damaged wheat considerably, especially white varieties. Red wheat sprouted very little. In a few places the white wheat is so badly sprouted it will have to be used for feed. From 75c to 81c a bushel is being paid for new wheat, depending upon the quality. Wheat is yielding from 30 to 40 bushels an acre. It will average about 27 bushels an acre. Barley was short in the straw, but was well filled. Oats also are short and thin on the ground. They did not rust out as they usually do. The heads are large and the grain plump, so that they may yield well. Early sown peas are heavily podded. One field threshed last week yielded 28 bushels an acre. Late peas are not so good. Some rye is grown, which is averaging about 25 bushels an acre. Harvest is nearly over with the exception of an odd field of late sown oats or peas. Corn and root crops are looking fine just now, and are growing splendidly. Pastures are in fair order. Some farmers have rape or corn to supply any lack due to dry weather. There have been some very heavy thunderstorms this summer. Two barns have been destroyed by lightning, one in June and the other last week. There was some insurance on them, but not sufficient to cover the loss. Land is being plowed and prepared for fall wheat. Some practice summer-fallowing, claiming that it pays.—L. T.

WATERLOO CO., ONT.

AYR.—Owing to recent rains and frequent showers since, the oat harvest has been considerably delayed. A few have finished but they are in the minority. Farmers are busy plowing and preparing for the fall seeding of wheat. About the same acreage as last year will be sown. Corn is growing fine and is earing good. The ensilage corn will be of good quality. Roots are making rapid growth. With continued moisture and cool nights they promise to be a bumper crop. A considerable number of the young men and spare farm laborers have left for the harvest in the West.—G. C. S.

ELGIN CO., ONT.

CORINTH.—After several weeks of very dry weather, which has had a rather unfavorable effect on spring crops, the drought has been succeeded by a period of rain. Showers have occurred almost every day for the past week. This will benefit the pastures, which were getting pretty short. It will also help the corn in earing. Oat harvest is nearly over. The recent rains have caught quite a number with oats still out. Some report that the crop is beginning to grow in the shock. Taken altogether the crop will be about an average. The milk supply is decreasing, but will probably be counteracted by the advanced price, which is likely to be still higher. At the time of writing (Aug. 17) the local factories have been offering 12½. Butter, 28c; wheat, old or new, is quoted at 84½c to 85c; oats, 41c to 43c; barley, 58c to 60c; bran is scarce and quoted at $16 to $18 a ton in bulk; shorts, $20 to $21 a ton in bulk.—J. H.

WEST ASSA., SASK.

COTTONWOOD.—Up to the middle of June, conditions promised a bumper crop. A dry spell then set in which lasted until last week, when several showers passed near; We are now having a good steady rain. It is rather late to benefit the wheat, but it will help the oats and garden crops. Several farmers are cutting grass for seed. Many intended to cut wheat this week. They will start if the weather permits. The wheat is ripening rapidly and very evenly. No sear frost at any time now. We have had little hail. One storm did damage near Regina. Others were nearly harmless owing to the calm weather. On the whole we expect a good crop although not a heavy one.—S. J.

GOSSIP

Mr. George Bennett, Charing Cross, whose ad. appears in this issue, is an up-to-date breeder and importer of Chester White hogs and Leicester sheep, Bronze Turkeys, Toulouse Geese, Pekin Ducks, Light Brahmas, Indian Games, White Wyandottes, Dorkings, S. C. Silver Seabrights, Golden and Black Red Game fowls are also to be found on this farm. The hogs are one of the best herds of Chesters, of the long, deep kind, that there is in America. Pigs from this herd will give a good account of themselves wherever they go. The foundation of the Leicester flock is of the best. It is founded with Maple Lodge, A. and W. Whitelaw's and Turnbull's stock. Representatives from this farm were shown at the Provincial Fair, Guelph, last winter. They carried away a goodly share of the ribbons, both for Chester hogs, Leicester sheep, and poultry. When wanting anything in the above line drop a line to Charing Cross, mentioning this paper. You will be supplied with stock from this place at a reasonable price.

D. A. GRAHAM.

Lochaber Stock Farm is situated in Lambton Co., Ont., about 4 miles from Wanstead. It is now owned by D. A. Graham, formerly of Parkhill, Ont. Mr. Graham's purebred stock comprises Shorthorns, Leicesters and Berkshires, as well as M B Turkeys, Pekin Ducks and Barred Rocks. In Shorthorn breeding, Mr. Graham gives the milking qualities due attention. Nothing but the best milkers are retained. The sire at the head of the herd is Lord Blossom by Lord Mistletoe, imp. from Duthies, Collynie, dam Parma Blossom, imp. Scottish Hero. Lord Blossom is not only a good individual but has several of the best sires in Scotland connected with his pedigree.

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A splendid programme of special attractions will be carried out before the grand stand every afternoon at the Central Canada Fair this year. The list includes a perilous leap from the dizzy height of 100 feet into a tank of water. This will be performed by the noted Holden. In his leap Holden turns a complete back somersault. The same daring performer will give his thrilling death trap loop. The rider's only chance of success in this feat lies in the instantaneous proper working of the huge trap door that permits him to leave the inclined loop while flying on the brink of death. He has electrified thousands, and risks his life in every trial.

The management of the Canadian National Exhibition have decided to engage the Citizens' Band of Winnipeg, Man. This band will come to Toronto 35 strong. They are in charge of Dr. A. W. Bell, formerly assistant manager of the Toronto Exhibition, and at present manager of the Winnipeg Exhibition. The band created tremendous enthusiasm by its playing at the recent exhibition in its home town.

ABSORBINE is a remedy that can be depended upon to do work without blistering or removing the hair, and horse can be used. As an illustration, Mr. Jos. Crooker, Kingman, Me., had a colt with a large bunch on hock joint, and realizing that this blemish decreased the colt's value, he purchased a bottle of ABSORBINE at $2.00, and says there is not a blemish to be seen on her now, and that the colt is worth $50.00 more than she was before using ABSORBINE.

HOLSTEIN FRIESIAN NEWS

The Canadian Dairyman and Farming World is the official organ of The Canadian Holstein-Friesian Association, all of whose members are readers of the paper. Members of the Association are invited to send items of interest to Holstein breeders for publication in this column.

It is now conceded by all leading physians, and many intelligent persons that Holstein milk is the most healthful. Being yielded by a large, strong and vigorous race of cattle that possess great vitality, and the milk being of a make-up so like that of human milk, constitutes it the ideal food for infants, invalids, and young persons, and especially for those whose diet is largely composed of milk. The literary committee of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America, believes that much good can be done for Holstein-Friesian interests by directing the attention of all owners of Holstein cattle to these points regarding Holstein milk. Holstein milk is easily digested and can be assimilated by the most delicate stomachs.

In view of these well established facts, it is the desire of this committee that every individual owner of Holsteins be invited to co-operate with the Association in the work of making more widely known the fact that Holstein is the most healthful and nutritious, and therefore the best of all milks. In order to do this it is suggested:

That those engaged in selling either at at wholesale or retail, always state the fact that it is Holstein milk: butter, cheese, cream. That all cans or receptacles, wagons, stationery or printed matter used in connection with the business, bear the words, "Holstein Milk, the most Healthful and Nutritious." That persons selling to retailers contract with them to the effect that such milk shall be always sold and advertised as Holstein Milk; and particularly in the case of hotels, restaurants and public places, the words, "Holstein Milk," shall be placed on the menu, bill of fare, or short cards used. That in absence from home, in ordering milk, always ask for, and insist upon having, if possible, Holstein milk. It is believed that the general adoption of these ideas by all interested in Holsteins, together with other extensive plans about to be executed for creating a universal demand for Holstein milk will secure a world wide recognition of the merits of the milk, and create such a demand as to tax every herd in America to its utmost to supply breeding cattle, and simultaneously increase the selling price to the great advantage and prosperity of all concerned. The committee therefore ask your heartiest co-operation for upon it depends the success of the movement.—F. L. Houghton, secretary.

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