

OUR FARMERS' CLUB

Correspondence Invited

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND
PRINCE CO., P. E. I.

RICHMOND, Oct. 3.—The continued wet weather leaves many of the farmers with their grain in a sorry state. Fall work is very backward. Some threshing is being done. Wheat is below the average on all of the farm. Oats are good and well filled. Potatoes and turnips are fair. The milk supply at the factories keeps up well as the pastures are good. Oats are selling for 42c and 42c; butter, 25c; eggs, 23c. J. D. McL.

KING'S CO., P. E. I.

LOWER MONTAGUE, Sept. 27.—The week just ended has been very fine. Most of the grain is harvested. Those that throughout report grain a heavy yield. Our exhibition will be held Oct. 1st, and if the yield is good will be far ahead of any held in King's county. Milk is getting scarce owing to no after grass. Butter is going up; eggs, 25c; potatoes, 25c a bush; oats, 40c.

ONTARIO

HASTINGS CO., ONT.

SIDNEY CROSSING, Oct. 7.—Pasture in the stock are looking well. Harvesting is well completed. Some few pieces of corn yet to get in. Crops on some farms are very light; others, fairly good. Corn is a very good crop, but late. Potatoes are going up. Prices remain high for all kinds of feed.—J. K.

WELLINGTON CO., ONT.

FERRIS, Oct. 5.—A number of the farmers in this district have had that farm are only finishing their harvest. Some who have buckwheat had to cut it with the mower, which they could not put together a mow on the land, and had to grade it. The fine weather of the past two days has helped to dry the land, and the mowing and mangle. A great many are complaining of their potatoes being from the soil. Prices are: Oats, 40c; barley, 35c; peas, 80c; buckwheat, 55c; butter, 26c; eggs, 25c; hogs, 85c; lambs, 85c; potatoes, 50c a bag.—W. B.

BRUCE CO., ONT.

HEPWORTH, Oct. 4.—This has been one of the worst years we have ever experienced to get grain dry in the field. All grain but fall wheat has been heavy in damp. The root crop is good. A few are complaining of rot in potatoes. Plums are a good crop. Apples almost a failure. Nearly all live stock is in good condition. There is an abundance of pasture. Young cattle are very scarce and high in price. A person can get as much for a calf now as they could for a yearling a few years ago. The trouble is that the farms are not kept so many cows as they used to. Where, a few years ago you could find eight and 10 cows on each farm, it is now only four or five. Labor is too high to keep more, and it is quite sure the only thing that will induce a farmer to keep more will be cheaper labor. The price of labor is lower the price of cattle is going to be high.—J. K. L.

MIDDLESEX CO., ONT.

HOWLETT, Oct. 11.—The weather has been very nice some days lately. When the writer visited this place the farmers were just in the midst of their corn harvest. The hindlers were going in all directions, and the corn for the silos appeared to be a grand crop; 12 feet, and in some places still higher. The husking crop is not so good as in places where the weather was rather poor. The farmers had difficulty in getting their fall seeding done, and many farms no wheat will be sown, and while some are waiting it on Oct. 2. One farmer told the writer that he had lived on his farm for 60 years, and this was the first year they had ever missed a rowing fall wheat. This farm has been noted for its good crops of wheat, but August and September was too wet to do any work in preparing the land. The wheat that is up looks rather patchy. The potatoes are poor; the root and grubs has about finished the tubers. The rural mail route comes through here, and at the corner, where Delaware Cheese Factory is situated, seven boxes are in evidence.—E. G.

TEMPO, Oct. 12.—Silos filling, cutting corn, threshing, attending the fair and sales are principally before the farmers at present. A great many sales are going on. A number of changes will be made in the occupants of the farms this fall and winter. Not as much wheat was sown as usual, as the ground was too wet for seeding. The grubs have done much damage to clover, potatoes, corn, and now they are thinning the wheat. We used to hear that the grubs were not doing much work in wet seasons, especially when it was cold. This theory will not stand good after this experience. As one person says: "They will do more work in the fall on this year." The bean harvest is 2000 on, and the weather is ideal for its success. The output is about half the crop, with prices very low. Pastures are good, and all kinds of stock look well.—E. G.

ESSEX CO., ONT.

ARNER, Oct. 5.—The threshing season is over and farmers' bins are well filled. Oats were an abundant crop; barley was also good, but was practically a failure. The tobacco crop is all harvested and corn cutting is general. Fall work is looking well; about usual acreage has been sown. Hogs have been scarce, but are picking up some now. The price has dropped from \$5.00 to \$3.25 a cwt. Wheat, 90c; oats, 40c; barley, 50c.—A. L. A.

ALBERTA

EDMONTON DIST., ALTA.

EDMONTON, Oct. 15.—Hon. Duncan Marshall, Minister of Agriculture for the Province of Alberta, has gone east to purchase live stock for the demonstration farms at Medicine Hat, near Glendon, Ales, Stony Plain, Vermilion and Sedgewick. Since last March the department has brought into the province 150 cows, of which 150 have since been sold to farmers at cost landed, the price running from \$45 for grades to \$175 for registered animals. On average a higher price was placed on each animal, and the first application at the price took the cows. One car of cows was sold to the town of Macleod in Ontario. On average 12 registered Cows, and registered bull. At Claresholm is a herd of 15 Ayrshire cows, 14 of which are registered. At Oids there are 21 Holsteins, of which eight are registered. At Vermilion 22 Holsteins, of which 19 are registered. The cows are milked and a record kept of the milk, so that from time to time the better ones can be selected. On his present visit, Mr. Marshall will, if possible, secure registered Short-horns of milking strains, as being most suitable for farm use. Of these 23 will be placed on the Sedgewick farm, and 12 at Claresholm. He will also bring a car of Short-horn, beef strain, for a farmer at Killam, and a car of grade Short-horn heifers and registered bull for Colonel Newcomen, of Agriculture, who recently purchased the Hugh Irwin farm there.

HOLSTEIN OFFICIAL TESTS FOR SEPTEMBER

Five official tests were reported during the month of September. The most creditable of these is the junior three-year-old record of De Kol Mutual Countess, 34.31 lbs. of butter. The mature cow, Cherryvale Winner, also makes a good showing with 25.18 lbs. in seven days and 94.12 lbs. in 30 days.

Full Age Form

- 1. Cherryvale Winner, 7776, at 7y. 4m. 24; milk, 63.5 lbs.; fat, 18.65 lbs., equal to 21.2 lbs. butter.
- 2. Thirty-day record: Milk, 2,605.5 lbs.; fat, 75.29 lbs., equal to 94.12 lbs. butter. Owned by Lakeview Farm, Bronte, Ont.
- 3. Ransworthy, De Kol Mutual, Pauline, 12,462, at 5y. 5m. 21d.; milk, 421.42 lbs.; fat, 19.14 lbs., equal to 25.6 lbs. butter. Owned by G. A. Brethen, Norwood, Ont.
- 4. Junior Three-Year-Old Form:
 - 1. De Kol Mutual Countess, 12,664, at 3y. 3m. 22d.; milk, 590.35 lbs.; fat, 19.45 lbs., equal to 24.31 lbs. butter. Owned by G. A. Brethen, Norwood, Ont.
 - 2. De Kol Pieterje, 13,966, at 3y. 1m. 14d.; milk, 352.02 lb.; fat, 12.35 lbs., equal to 15.44 lbs. butter. Owned by G. A. Brethen, Norwood, Ont.
- 5. Junior Two-Year-Old Form:
 - 1. Aggie Poach Herma, 15,480, at 2y. 5m.; milk, 550.70 lbs.; fat, 8.94 lbs., equal to 11.7 lbs. butter. Owned by G. A. Brethen, Norwood, Ont.

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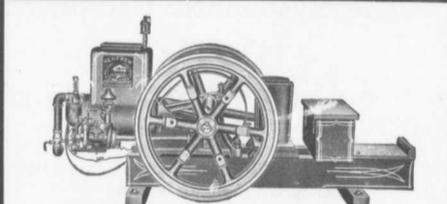
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