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A Great Help

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MARYSVILLE, March 18th, 1899. SIR,-Find enclosed [\$1 to continue my subscription for 1899 fing FARMING a great help to me in working my farm. ľ Yours truly,

J. G. CAMPBELL.

Very Much Appreciated

MONCTON, N.B., March 18th, 1899. Your paper comes regularly to hand, and is very much appreciated. MRS. A. CLARKE, Box 438, Moneton, N.B.

Agricultural News and Comments

During 1898 Canada sent to Great Britain \$1,258,500 worth of eggs, being an increase of \$288,500 over the previous year.

An Irishman has found out a new use for castor oil. He claims that by rubbing the cestor oil into the udder after every milking and by feeding liberally he can convert an indifferent milker into a large producer of milk.

A very useful animal on any farm is the barn cat. The quantity of mice a cat with kittens will kill in a day is remarkable. Cats will kill most of the young rats, and also old ones occasionally. They appear to know just when to go and where to spring on them without waiting long.

Co-operative pork-packing seems to be moving along. Two such factories are talked of for Brantford and Listo wel. At the latter place it is proposed to have a capital stock of \$37,500, divided into 1,500 shares of \$25 each, the stock to be allotted to farmers only, and no person to hold more than ten shares.

A good way to select seed is to spread it on a sheet of white paper and by the aid of an ordinary magnifying glass closely inspect it. Seed should be of the same uniform size and color and should be plump. Old seed is usually darker in tint, often insect eaten and consequently has lost some of its form and vigor.

In July, 1896, No. 2 wheat sold in Chicago market at 54c. a bushel. Until a couple of weeks ago it sold for 72c., a rise of 18c., or 33 1 3 per cent. in two and a half years. From a table of the average prices of 107 staple articles, published by Bradstreet, it will be found that the whole list has advanced in price 39 9-10 per cent.

In all probability a very few years will see the end of the large cattle range in the Western States. The rapid influx of settlers, and the advance in agriculture seem to be responsible for the change that is gradually coming over the West. It is likely that cattle rearing on a large scale will be carried on, but the cattle will be confined in a smaller area and fed.

For nearly two years the Ohio Experiment Station has been conducting an investigation on tuberculosis in cattle. The station now has on hand a number of cattle which have reacted to the tuberculin test, several of which have been under inspection for two years, and are still apparently in perfect health. These animals will be slaughtered in a few weeks for the purpose of determining what their actual condition is.

The director of an experiment station in France has obtained good results from fattening calves on potate "fecule," or what is practically the refuse of potatoes used for manufacturing purposes. The test was conducted with seven calves. The first one was born on June 25th and the feeding began on July 3rd and was continued till November 7th. At the end of the test the calf realized 14s. 6d. more than the total cost.

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Market Fees

The question whether towns and cities should collect a fee from farmers who utilize their market privileges has been a subject of agitation for a number of years. There was a time when it was the general rule to charge farmers who sold or offered for sale produce of any kind in the markets of our towns and cities a fec. But, partly by competition between rival towns, and partly by legislation, the practice has been partially or wholly discontinued in a great many places. Whether the levying of such a tax is just and right there is no doubt a great difference of opinion. But, looking at it as a matter of mutual interest and fair dealing between one body of people and another, the farm er would seem to have right on his side. If the farmer, when he goes on to the market square or into the market house of any city or town and offers his produce for sale were seriously interfering with the trade of the local grocer or butcher, there might be some reason for imposing this tax. But, instead of interfering, his coming to the town or the city is really a blessing, as it enables the tradesman to dispose of more of his goods and to get produce to supply his customers in the city. For this reason, among many others, we do not think it to be in the best interests of any town or city to place a tax upon the farmer who occasionally visits its markets in order to sell his produce. In fact, it would be much more in the interest cf every town not only to remit all fees, but to throw out special inducements in the way of good market accommodation for the farmers when they come to market. A great many people in the smaller places complain of the farmer going to the larger places to buy their goods when, if the farmer visits their market to sell his produce, he has to pay a tax for so doing.

Some interesting facts in regard to this question have been compiled by Mr. E. Morden, secretary of the Wel-land Farmers' Institute. We find from these that twenty years ago the farmers of Ontario asked for free markets. In 1882 the Legislature passed an act which limited the powers of towns and cities in taxing farm produce. Grains, seeds, wool, lumber, lath, shingles, cordwood, dressed hogs, cheese, hay, straw and other fodders, were exempted from market fees. Butter, eggs and poultry can only be taxed when a convenient and a fit sheltered place for their sale is provided. In 1890 the Central Farmers' Institute recommended that beef and mutton by the quarter, vegetables, roots and fruits be added to butter, eggs and poultry, but nothing further has been done. At the present session of the Legislature we understand that Mr. German, M.P.P., of Welland, will introduce an amendment to the law to make the exemptions include all farm produce, and so it is quite in order to discuss the matter just now.

Among the many good reasons Mr. Morden gives why farmers should not be taxed in this way are the following :

Cannot towns and citics provide fie: standing room for those who bring food supplies, and who in turn purchase their own supplies in the town?

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Many towns and cities have voluntarily abolished market fees, much to the advantage of all except the market clerks

If market fees are the proper thing why all these exemptions? If the man with a few turnips is taxed, why do they exempt the man with a fifty dollar load of dressed hogs?

Dressed hogs have too much influence. Shall all farm produce be taxed, or shall all farm produce be made free? Shall we have discrimination or shall we have freedom?

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The Dairyman's Anxious Time

Though winter dairying is now largely practised in many parts of Canada, dairymen as a rule have not adopted the practice of having the bulk of their cows drop their calves in the fall instead of the spring. Farmers who have tried this plan, and have had suitable winter conditions in the way of good stabling, feed, etc., claim that much more can be made out of the cows than by having them dropping their calves in the spring as is the general rule. While we endorse this view in cases where the farmer has good cows, and has a warm, comfortable stable, with a liberal supply of good succulent food for his cows, we hardly think it wise for every farmer to do so. At any rate, it would be foolish to do so unless the proper conditions were provided for the care of the cow, as outlined above. However, as the large majority of our farmers have their cows calve in the spring of the year, a word of advice will be in season.

The dairyman's greatest anxiety is at calving time, and the better milkers he has the greater will be his anxiety. As a rule, a "scrub" cow that is good for almost nothing will come through the calving period without much diffi culty. But a cow that gives a large flow of milk, and keeps up a good supply during most of the year, runs a far greater risk than the poor milker. The greatest danger will be from milk fever, a disease that once it takes root is hard to cure, but which can be prevented where rational methods are adopted. And here let us state that it would be wise to adopt preventive measures in all cases. When possible a cow should be dried off for a few weeks before the calving period. This can easily be done, except in cases where a cow is a very persistent milker, and gives a large flow of milk even up to near the time of calving. In such cases it might be injurious to check the flow of milk too suddenly, and a good cow might be spoiled. The average cow can be dried-off by reducing the grain feed, though not enough to cause any serious loss of flesh, and by gradually milking less thoroughly and less frequently.

After drying-off the grain food should be resumed, in small quantities at first, and of the right kind of lond, so as not to starve the calf or prevent the cow from making bag. Bran in slop, oais, a little oil meal, and such like, are the kind of foods to give. Corn and all heating foods calculated to produce feverishness should be avoided. The cows should be watched to see that there is no constipation, and that the bowels move freely without scouring. Where nccessary, some Epsom saits can advantageously be given a week before the calf is due. When calving time comes make the cow comfortable, with plenty of good bedding. Every farmer should have a box stall in which a cow may be put when she is about due to calve. If the weather is cold, chilling should be guarded against, and the drinking water should be warmed for two or three days after the calf is born. If there should be any symptoms of fever give a little aconite. As we have already stated, preventive measures are wise, and, if the cow has been properly prepared for the calving period, there is not likely to be any trouble.

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Lonesome Without It

Glen Roy, Ont., March 12th, 1899

DEAR SIR,--I write to ask you to send FARMING to me for an-other year. as I am lonesome without it. It is a good paper, and I mias it. Enclosed find \$1 for my subscription.

ROBERT J. CAMPBELL.

Manures and Manuring

By T. C. Wallace, Before the Ontario Farmers' Institute

(Continued from last issue.)

Manuring is actually cultivation. Manure is labor. So working the soil as to set free some of the store of locked up fertility is rational work. Returning to the soil a por-tion at least of the material we remove by cropping and grazing is also rational work, but only a branch of the work, Treating the soil as a receptacle or storehouse into which we undertake to put a dollar's worth of stuff to get a dollar's worth out, and struggling in a bargain to obtain that first dollar's worth for fifty or seventy-five cents, so that we may score a profit on our labor, is neither rational or business like. Such lottery with nature is unworthy of the boasted agricultural intelligence of the closing days of the nineteenth century.

Let us, however, now look closely at the general result of stock feeding on our lands. We find the results are good up to a certain point. It was certainly better than grain growing as described. But, had we understood the true function of clover as a manure as we do to day, we might have carried on the grain growing pretty successfully without stock, and perhaps more successfully than we have done it with stock. But we certainly obtained a better condition of the soil by having the animal manure for our But we certainly obtained a better lands. The animals fed on the farm return us most of the potash and most of the nitrogen which they take with their feed, but they return us actually none of the phosphoric acid they take except such portions as they fail to digest. They take it to build their bone, their nerve force, their ripening, and their powers of reproduction. And so like the grain and nearly every other living thing we have to deal with, except the birds, our domestic animals drain the phosphate from the soil. Do not deceive yourselves with the false theory that after their young bone is built they then return the phosphate. No such thing occurs, and in fact the actual necessity for phosphate becomes greater as ripening or age advances; of course within the limits of the producing period, after which animals are not usually kept. It is sometimes contended that this drain of phosphoric acid can be prevented by feeding concentrated foods to animals in much greater quantities than they require and so making them.

ANIMATED MANURE FACTORIES.

This is blind practice. It is a frantic endeavor to fit the animal to the land instead of adapting the land to our requirements. It is wasting energy, which can be more profitably applied to filling the pail or making beef, mutton or pork. It is this same blind practice which causes so much diversity of opinion and almost annually the changing of methods of cropping, cultivating and harvesting our crops, to try and fit them to the gradually, but surely, changing conditions of our lands. Throwing the blame on Providence and ascribing our difficulties to "climate changing" must stop somewhere, and the sooner the better. When farmers realize that they must study their soils and adopt means to restore them, at least to a condition of "virgin fertility," many of the ingenious plans and contrivances which make their lives miserable will pass into ancient history and the museum. I say that when farmers realize the true inwardness of manuring as the foundation of the whole agricultural structure we will not see the boys crowding to the cities and leaving the noblest and surest of all callings for the uncertainties of trade and commerce.

We may inquire now what indications there are of the waning fertility through the described denudation of the phosphatic heart in the land. If I seem to lay stress on this want of phosphate without good and sufficient reason I may well be condemned, but there are signs which he who runs may read, and those who desire to understand must throw away their smoked glasses and raise themselves to a higher plane of thought, and the egoist must lay aside his scepticisms. It gives me pleasure to be able to say that I

find most farmers thoughtful and anxious for information on this subject, though naturally timid in accepting what to them at first seems a theory, but to that class of people who doubt everything but their own existence, and whom I choose to designate as egoists, I make no appeal.

The signs most noticeable are perhaps, first, a hankering after bones and rotten wood by the cows.

We also know how unsatisfactory bones are as a food for cows, and we ask why do these animals whose stomach acids cannot dissolve bones make such frantic efforts to eat unnatural food?

I will answer you in the Irishman's way, by asking another question. What is bone? And I see I must answer my own question. It is largely phosphate of lime. The animal then wants phosphoric acid, the active principle of bone. Have you ever seen the phosphatic light on an old dead log in the woods after rain? Of course you have ! There again is the reason the cow eats the dead wood—because of the development of phosphorous.

The weak-kneed pig fed on food wanting in phosphoric acid is another sign, and so is the old sow savagely devouring her young.

The loss of fertility in stock, the prevalence to disease, as, for instance, abortion and tubercolosis, are signs. The giving way of the teeth in the human race again points the way.

The changing of clovers from rich, digestible fodder to tough, herbaceous stuff only fit for rope, is another sign. The softening grain, and the coft yielding straw is still an indication. The clover sickness, which I have seen, has the loss of phosphatic fertility for its prime cause. The spread of disease among orchards because the trees are unable to resist is in the same line.

The shriveled grain and failure to get perfect ripening, except n the most favorable seasons, can be put to no other cause but the want of power to properly ripen. Turn where you will, and the signs stare you in the face.

(To be continued.)

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Evergreens

By E. Morden, Niagara Falls South, Ont.

Evergreens are valuable because they are a distinct feature in the landscape for twelve months each year. Justrian and Scotch pine grow rapidly, and are very distinct. They may be made compact by shortening in, and are thus available even in small grounds. The Norway spruce in suitable soil will grow upwards about two feet each year. They make compact hedges when close planted and pruned. When planted from four to eight feet apart they soon make an effective wind-break. Many miles of Norway spruce hedge and wind-break have been planted in the Niagara district. In all parts of the country we find stretches of country through which the winds blow unchecked. A Norway spruce wind break would add much to the comfort of men and beasts for the distance of a mile or more to the leeward. It is strange that so few have even planted a wind-break for their orchards and buildings.

Where such is planted it is desirable to cultivate and care tor them for a few years. Later on they will smother the grass beneath them. For ornamental hedges the cedar or arbor vitæ are very suitable. Their fibrous roots enable them to be transplanted safely. They bear close shearing, and with this treatment give very nice hedges. The newer Rocky Mountain evergreens should be better known. They are very hardy, and are now quite moderate in price.

Douglas spruce grows very fast and has a distinct appearance. Concolor spruce has a coarser yet softer foliage, and has an appearance still more distinct. Colorado blue spruce is a slow grower, and has been well advertised. It varies in color, but even the poorer specimens have a color better than the Norway spruce. The Rocky Mountain silver cedar resembles the red cedar, but the silver cedar preserves its beautiful light green color through the whole season. It is a slow grower and a decided novelty. The Swedish juniper is another beautiful novelty, which carries its peculiar light green color right through the winter.

The well-known Irish juniper, forming a columnar pyramid, is of a blue-green in summer, but is rather brown in the winter. The Dwarf Mountain pine, which forms a spreading bush, is very fine for a lawn. It is so little known that it might also be called a novelty.

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Brood Mares

In a recent issue the *Horse Breeder* says: "Brood mares should have all the well-cured hay that they will eat when fed regularly three times a day. If, in addition to this, they are fed not less than six quarts of the best oats, there will be but little danger of getting them too fat. Where there is one brood mare in the country injured by overfeeding, there are many that are actually suffering from lack of nourishment. Those who cannot afford to feed liberally had better reduce their stock or go out of business altogether. What has been said of brood mares is equally true of foals of all ages, from weanlings to maturity. Most farmers who raise only a few foals feed too sparingly."

Though these remarks are given from an American point of view they, nevertheless, have some bearing upon the rearing of horses in this country. How often do we see the brood mare on the average Ontario farm a subject of neglect and careless, if not injurious, treatment. Horsebreeders who expect to raise good horses by such methods have evidently missed their calling. Good horses cannot be raised except by giving the brood mare the best of care and attention. The remarks in reference to foals are also very pertinent. From the time a colt is born till it re-ches maturity it should receive such treatment in the way of care and feed that will make it grow and develop into the highest type of horse. Of course good breeding and good treatment go hand in hand; but to neglect one or the other is only to court failure and get very unsatisfactory results.

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Canadian Butter and Eggs in Great Britain

Recently a London, England, importing firm made some disparaging references to Canadian butter and eggs, which have called forth a vigorous reply in the *Canadian Gazette* of the same place from Prof. Robertson, Agricultural and Dairy Commissioner. He states that the cleanly and skillful methods of Canadian butter making and the cold storage accommodation on railroads and steamships make it possible for Canada to lay down in Great Britain a quality of butter unsurpassed. The trade is growing, and bound to grow, as Canada can produce butter of the very best class, but at a less cost than European countries.

With reference to Canadian eggs being a distinct failure in the British market, as claimed by the above firm, Professor Robertson says: "As a matter of fact, Canadian eggs are distinctly gaining in favor in nearly all the markets in Great Britain. The eggs are of uniformly large size, and carefully selected, and are reported to be landed in good condition as to freshness, cleanness, fullness and central position of the yolk. The Canadian egg case, with its cardboard compartments, is also preferred to the egg cases from other countries. Nearly all the eggs exported from Cauada go to Great Britain. In 1896 the quantity of eggs exported from Canada to Great Britain was over five millions of dozens (5,585,725), and in 1898 that had risen to over ten millions of dozens (10,280,466).

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A Welcome Visitor

PETROLIA, March 15th, 1839. I highly appreciate your paper, and it is a welcome visitor to our house every week.

J. A. GLEDHILL.

Dairy Butter-Making

A Prince Edward Island lady sends us the following ac count of her experience in butter making :

In these days there is so much said about butter making that I feel as if I must tell my experience. I was married at twenty and began housekeeping without any knowledge of what I should do in order to make good butter, but being brought face to face with such a task I determined to make a fair fight, and I think that I have succeeded, but not without many a failure, which often had a very discour aging effect. We keep eight cows, which are a mixture of Holsteins, Ayrshires and Jersey, and in summer are kept in good pasterage with a plentiful supply of water. In winter they get hay and roots and water once a day. Along with these we always keep a supply of salt before them, both summer and winter.

We endeavor to have a regular milking hour of seven o'clock morning and night. The milk is strained through a cloth strainer consisting of two or three plys of cheese cloth. These cloths, with all milking utensils, are kept thoroughly clean. After using they are first washed in cold water and then with warm and soap, and afterwards scalded. We keep the cream in a crock large enough to hold a churning, and which we also strain upon pouring into the churn in order to make sure of no hairs or dirt. We never keep the cream more than four days in summer



First Prize Pair of Light Brahmas, Ontario Poultry Show, Toronto, January, 1899, the property of T. A. Cox, Brantford, Ont.

or eight days in winter, and while gathering keep it at a temperature below 60°, and always save a little of the previous cream or buttermilk as a starter, using also a little coloring all the year. We use the "Daisy" churn and make a practice of commencing churning in summer at 62°, and get butter in from twenty five to thirty minutes In winter we commence at 66° (if cows are with calf or farrow), if fresh calved at 63° , and get butter inside of an hour, we then use good dairy salt, putting $1\frac{1}{4}$ ozs to each pound of butter, but being careful not to overwork and still enough as it will be streaked if not worked enough. If we are going to print it and put it in parchment paper it should not be kept more than a week in this form, and in hot weather not that long, unless in a very cold place, as it loses its flavor and will get a little strong. The best way to keep butter, if for any length of time, is to put it in stone crocks and keep well pickled. If the wooden tub is to be used I soak it for two days in buttermilk, then wash carefully with soap and brush, afterwards scald for an hour or more, then air and cool when it is fit to hold the butter. I also take care to leave room for one or two inches of dry salt on top before putting on the cover

But why should one person take all this trouble to have nice butter? When you go into our best stores you are told, "We are paying the one price for all dairy butter"; so that you receive no more than the person who has paid no attention to cleanliness, perhaps having gathered the

cream in an old wooden dish, both mouldy and musty, churned it between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock of a hot July afternoon, and when the grease arrived left it to repose in the buttermilk until next morning to cool. Then after a hasty wash, a few handfuls of coarse, common salt are mixed in. The tub new from the Indian's hands gets a hurried rinse and then the butter thrown into it, when the article is placed upon the market and the owner receives as much as the maker who has taken the utmost care. Then I object to creamery butter because the milk comes from so many different stables, some of which are not the cleanest and where the milk receives its share of the surround ings, then, again, cows are not fed alike-some receive dirty water to drink and others good. It is not liked at home, but it will do for the creamery or cheese factory is the saying you often heat. Let me ask would you rather have butter made from milk that has not been properly cared for, or milk that has? Naturally you reply "butter made from the later." Well, then, why does not this but ter command a butter price? I believe in home separators, as they will reduce the work, and the milk can be fed at once to the calves and pigs without the trouble of warming, which follows after setting in ice water, which is our pres ent mode of raising the cream. Give me the dairy butter made by reliable, clean, tidy people, and whose healthy, well-cared for cows are the pride of the "Old Homestead."

NOTE.—Our friend's objections to the creamery are per haps well taken. But it must be remembered that, while the best of butter can be made at the private dairy where the cows, utensils, etc., are looked after properly, there are so many different kinds of dairies that it is not possible to get large quantities of this butter of a sufficiently uniform quality to meet the needs of the export trade. The cooperative creamery is therefore a necessary factor in get ting this uniformity so essential in butter shipped to the British markets.—EDITOR.

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The Canadian Bacon Trade

Mr. George Mathews, President of the George Mathews Co., pork packers, etc., in a letter some weeks ago to the Lindsay Post, gives some advice to farmers as to the kind of hog required for bacon purposes, and from which we take the following:

Farmers have often said, "If the hogs you advise us to raise are worth more than the ordinary run of hogs, why don't you pay an extra price for them?" That is just what we are doing now, and we hope that the farmers will see that it is to the interest of their pockets to turn out only first quality hogs and get the highest price. This is a more serious question for our farmers than it is generally considered. By sending, as we are now doing, a large proportion of No. 2 and Stout Bacon to England we are over-loading that market with that article (No. 2 and Stout) to such an extent that it actually depresses the market value of No. 1 selection some shillings per cwt. under the price it would bring if it were not for the large quantity of unsizeable bacon (as it is called in England) going there from Canada. This statement is corroborated by the Grocer, the leading provision paper in England, in its issue of January 21st, '99 The following is the quotation "The dealings in Canadian pea-fed have been similar to those in most other cures, being of a halting and timid character, and with the railway depots larrly choked up with later arrivals, a pressure to sell has been attended by the acceptance of less money. Never has so unmanageable a quantity of Canadian bacon been put forward a one time, and, worse than all, it con-ists of a greater percentage of unsuitable stuff than can easily be got rid of, and, with both the weight and volume of the imports increased, importers have despared of meeting with purchasers at tates satisfactory to themselves."

It reas with the farmers to change this state of affairs by havin, their hogs the right quality and weight to make the first selection of bacon. I notice some speakers referring to this subject, both on the platform and through the press, say that the packers are always changing the selections so that the farmers cannot understand what they really do want. I have been in the export bacon trade for the last six years, and I know of no change excepting that in the late summer and fall we can take the bogs up to 220 as first selection, for at that season the bogs are not penned up, and having plenty of exercise do not get as fat when weighing 220 pounds as they do in the winter when weighing only 200 pounds. A large number of the hogs that we are now receiving weighing 200 pounds each are altogether too fat to make first selection bacon from. Then there is the hog with thick heavy shoulders—the reason the English dealers want sides with light shoulders is that the shoulder is of only small value as compared with the rest of the side. In Smithfield market, London, the provision men have great stacks of smoked Wiltshire-cut bacon, some stacks of whole sides, others of sides with shoulders cut off, and others with shoulders alone cut from the sides after they have been smoked; if you inquire the prices they will offer you the shoulders for just about hall the price they sell the remainder of the sides for. That is the reason they will not pay the highest price for sides with heavy shoulders.

Co-operative Experiments in Agriculture.

From a communication received from Mr. C. A. Zavitz, Director, Guelph, Ont., we take the following list of experiments to be carried on by the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union for 1899 :

1. Testing nitrate of soda, superphosphate, muriate of potash, resting intrate of soua, superprosperies, intrate of potash, mixture, and no manure with corn.
 Testing nitrate of soda, superphosphate, muriate of potash, mixture, and no manure with mangels.

Growing grass, peas and two varieties of vetches for green 3. Ge fodder. 4. Growing three mixtures of grain for green fodder.

Testing four varieties of grain for green fodder. Testing four varieties of corn for grain, fodder, or silage. Testing four varieties of millet. Testing four varieties of clovers. 5. 6.

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 Testing three varieties of buckwheat.
 Testing three varieties of spring wheat and one of spring rye. 11. Testing four varieties of barley.

Testing four varieties of oats.
 Testing four varieties of field peas.
 Testing three varieties of field beans.

Testing three varieties of Japanese beans.
 Testing four varieties of carrots.

Testing three varieties of mangels and one of sugar beets. 17. 18.

18. Testing two varieties of Swedish and two of fall turnips.19. Sowing peas at different dates to determine the amount of in-

jury done by the pea weevil,

Jury done by the pea weever, 20. Planting potatoes the same day and five days after being cut. 21. Planting corn in rows and in squares. Interested persons in Ontario who wish to join in the work may select any one of the experiments for 1899 and inform the Director at once of the choice made. All material will be furnished entirely free of charge to each applicant, but he will be expected to conduct free of charge to each applicant, but he will be expected to conduct the test according to the instructions sent with the seeds, and to re-port the results of his test as soon as possible after harvest.

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Profit in Geese

By Samuel Cushman, Providence, R.I.

No branch of poultry culture pays better if intelligently followed, not even successful turkey growing. Geese require no expenditure for shelter, even in winter. May be pastured like cows, and a good goose, well managed, pays better than a good cow. They are not, however, suited to the town back lot, but to the well watered meadow or pasture, or to the farm.

HOW TO INSURE IT.

To make geese most profitable, as many goslings should be secured as possible, by keeping the goose laying and hatching the eggs under hens. The goslings should be grown as quickly as possible, and, like Pekin ducks, marketed when green or quite young. They should be sold in May, June and July, when they bring more and cost less than if kept until fall. To get the largest amount of goslings, prolific layers must be kept, as well as very active ganders, to insure a high per cent. of fertile eggs. Quick growing stock is also necessary. To get the highest price in market the goslings should be white plumage and have yellow bill and legs, as they look best and sell best dressed. To get good size the large breeds should be used.

BREEDS OF GEESE.

Toulouse or gray geese are most common of the pure breeds, and lay the largest number of eggs, but they are slow growers, and not having white plumage, being loose-skinned and dark, do not sell so well dressed. The gan-The ganders are also slow and sluggish (like Cochin fowl), and the per cent. of fertile eggs is often very low.

Embden or Bremen geese grow quicker, and being

white and having orange bills and legs, look the best when dressed, and the goslings sell at highest price of any pure breed. The Embden, however, is a poor layer; a goose laying no more than half the number produced by the Toulouse. They (unlike the almost non-sitting Toulouse) are persistent sitters and good mothers, and it is harder to keep them laying, and the number of goslings secured is therefore comparatively small.

Good Africans are as large as the best Embdens or Toulouse geese, grow faster and larger than either up to the time goslings should be marketed. They also lay the largest eggs, and almost equal the Toulouse in number produced. They are good sitters and therefore will not lay as steadily. It takes a few days to break them up after each sitting is laid. The African ganders (like Leghorn males) are the most active and attentive ganders of any of the large breeds. They may be given four times as many geese as the Toulouse ganders, and twice or three times as many as the Embden males and rarely fail to insure highly fertile The only drawback of this most valuable and imeggs. portant breed is its dark bill and skin, and the fact that it is harder than the others to pick. When dressed the white gosling leads it in price. A greater number of large goslings will usually be secured from pure Africans than from Embdens or Toulouse mated straight.

CROSSING THE BREEDS FOR BEST RESULTS.

By mating an Embden gander with African geese he will be more attentive than with either Embden or Toulouse geese, thus insuring a high per cent. of fertile eggs, while a majority of the goslings raised will come white in plumage and with yellow bills and legs. An African gander mated with Embden geese, while not so sure to give as high per cent. of fertile eggs as an African, will usually insure excellent results, a large number of goslings, most of which will be light or white. For Christmas geese this is the most desirable cross, and gives the largest light coloured goslings. The Toulouse gander in this sort of crossing has no place and can be dispensed with.

Failing to secure African ganders of the right sort, brown China or African brown China cross ganders may be used with about as good results. They are still more active than Africans, but are smaller, not so hardy to stand cold winters, and their goslings partake of their nervous, excitable nature, and do not take on flesh, or fatten as readily. However, where size of goslings is of little importance, or where a medium-sized bird is desired, and especially where no preference is shown whether goslings dress white or dark, or whether the bills or legs are yellow or dark, the brown Chinas, bred pure, will be the most profitable of all breeds. In this case their sharp, discordant, rasping voice will be the only drawback, but a constant thorn in the flesh of those in their vicinity.

SECURING THE STOCK.

Whether geese are crossed or bred pure, the right sort of pure bred geese must be secured. They can be bought cheaper in midsummer, before the best goslings are killed for the market. In any case, whether young or old are secured, it is best to have them on your place before December to have them do well the following season. Eggs may be bought in March and April and set under hens. There is as much difference in the laying ability of geese as there is in the milk-giving capacity of cows. By taking very little trouble the goose-breeder can know how many eggs each goose lays during each season, as she has a nest of her own. He can weed out the poor layers and breed only from the best, and in combination with generous feeding can build up in a few seasons a very prolific strain of layers. This has already been done with all the breeds mentioned. We have a Toulouse goose that last season laid 47 eggs, which, set under hens, hatched 41 goslings. Of these 37 were raised. Africans frequently lay thirty or more eggs. Good Embdens go as high as twenty or more. It all depends upon the strain. How they have been bred and managed.

The Composition and Use of Cattle Foods

W. H. Jordan, Director N.Y. State Experiment Station (Continued from Feb. 21st issue.)

THE DIGESTIBILITY OF CATTLE FOODS.

A portion of every cattle food is dissolved by the fluids with which it comes in contact in the stomachs and intestines. This solubility, or digestibility, varies greatly with different foods. Of oat straw perhaps only forty pounds in a hundred would be dissolved, whereas of corn meal eighty-five pounds in a hundred would be taken into solution. That part of the food which is dissolved passes through the walls of the stomach and other portions of the digestive tract into the blood and is there used for the various purposes which have been mentioned. The undissolved or undigested portion of the food is rejected by the animal as useless. The grains, potatoes and roots are much more digestible than hay, corn fodder and the straws. The amount of food which is digested may be influenced in various ways. For instance, an animal will probably digest more of a food which is eaten with relish than of one which is unpalatable. The amount of digestible matter in hays and other fodders may be diminished by the fermentation caused by wetting and in other ways. Late cut hay is less digestible than early cut, and in general the younger the plant tissue the more digestible it is.

FEEDING STANDARDS.

These aim at an economical use of food nutrients by prescribing not only the amount but the composition of the digestible material which an animal shall consume in a given time. The feeding standards chiefly in use in this country are those formulated by German scientists. They recommend definite amounts of definite kinds of nutrients for each class of farm animals. For instance, the standard for a thousand pound animal at rest, neither doing work nor making growth, is 8.85 pounds of digestible material in one day's ration, .7 of a pound of which shall be protein. The standard for a milch cow is 15.4 pounds of digestible matter daily, the amount of digestible protein being $2\frac{1}{2}$ pounds. Standards are also given for horses, sheep and swine and fattening animals of all kinds.

These formulæ should not be regarded as rules to be blindly followed independently of the available supply and the market prices of feeding stuffs, but they are suggestions for rations that are undoubtedly efficient and economical, provided market conditions render it advisable to follow them. A few of these standards are given in this connection.

In making up a ration which shall correspond to one of these standards, two main facts must be kept in view. First, the amount of digestible food; second, the nutritive ratio.

In making a mathematical calculation both of the nutritive ratio and the amount of digestible food, we must take into consideration both the composition of the foods which we wish to use and the digestibility of their several classes of nutrients. Tables of composition and digestibility are now available to farmers, and the mathematical operations involved in the necessary calculations are simple. These are illustrated in this connection.

Nutritive Ratio.—By the nutritive ratio of a food or ration we mean the relation of digestible carbohydrates to digestible protein. The amount of protein is expressed as 1. Thus the nutritive ratio of wheat bran is expressed as 1:3.5; that is, the carbohydrates are present in 3.5 times the quantity of protein matter. For milk production the nutritive ratio should be, roughly, 1:5 or 6.

To find the nutritive ratio of a food or ration, add together the amount of digestible carbohydrates, and of fat multiplied by $2\frac{1}{4}$, and divide the sum by the total amount of digestible protein.

For example, to find the nutritive ratio of corn meal we find from the table following that corn meal contains 6.5

per cent. of digestible protein, 65 per cent. of digestible carbohydrates, and 3.3 per cent. of digestive fat. 3 3 lbs. (amount of fat) multiplied by 2¼ equals 7.4 lbs.

7 4 added to 65. lbs. (amount of carbohydrates) equals 7.4 lbs.

72.4 divided by 65 (amount of protein) equals 11.1.

Hence the nutritive ratio is 1:11.1; that is, in corn meal the carbohydrates are 11.1 times as great in quantity as the protein.

To find the nutritive ratio of a ration or mixture of several foods requires more work, but it is accomplished in a similar manner. To illustrate : suppose we desire to find the nutritive ratio of the following mixture :

20	pou	nds	corn	sil	age

- 10 pounds clover hay,
- 5 pounds corn meal,
- 5 pounds wheat bran,

2 pounds cotton-seed meal.

(1) Multiply the amount of each food contained in the mixture by the per cent of each digestible nutrient (pro tein, carbohydrates and fat) in each food.

(2) Add together the several products to obtain the tota! amount of each nutrient in the ration.

(3) Then proceed as in case of a single food; that is, add the carbohydrates to the fat multiplied by $2\frac{1}{4}$ and divide the sum by the protein.

The total digestible fat (0.84 lbs.) multiplied by $2\frac{1}{4}$ equals 1.89 lbs., and this added to the total amount of digestible carbohydrates (12.4 lbs.) equals 14.3 lbs. This divided by 2.73 lbs., the total amount of digestible protein, equals 5.3. Hence the nutritive ratio of such a ration is 1:5.3.

	Pounds of food in ration.	Protein.		Carbohy- drates.		Fat.	
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silage	20	1.1	.22	13.	2.6	.7	. 14
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Corn meal	5	65	•33	65.	3.25	3.3	. 16
bran Cotton-	5	12.	.60	38.9	1.94	2.9	. 15
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(To be continued.)

The Western Canned Meat Trade

There is some agitation in the Eastern States owing to the allegations that preserved beef and mutton shipped in from the Western States and sold in the markets of the East has previously been treated chemically and tastes and smells of the laboratory. Before the production of cheap meats in the West and the opening up of the canned beef trade large herds of beef cattle were produced by the farmers of the New England States, who made money by supplying the New York and other markets. But since the introduction of the cheap Western meats, Eastern farmers have had to go out of the business and many farms which twenty years ago were worth \$100 per acre are now not worth \$50 per acre.

There is some hope on the part of the farmer of the Eastern States that there may be a large amount of truth in these allegations and that the consumer in New York and other large centres will come again to prefer fresh beef grown near his own door to the dressed article sent in from the West, when cattle-raising will again be a profitable business for the Eastern agriculturist.

TABLE FOR FINDING THE NUTRITIVE RATIO AND AMOUNT OF DIGESTIBLE NUTRIENTS IN A MINTURE OF SEVERAL FOODS.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

SOWING ALFALFA.

To the Editor of FARMING:

Would it do to sow this spring alfalfa or Lucerne on the stubble of last year's seeding of clover where it has missed with a light harrowing to cover the seed ? Would it produce pasture this summer ? Should it be sown separate or would it be better to mix some other grasses with it and how much seed per acre?

W. JOHN IRWIN. Midland, Ont.,

March 16th, 1809.

Answered by Professor Day, of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph.

Replying to your correspondent, I beg to give it as my opinion that the plan he suggests re sowing alfalfa would most likely prove a failure. At any rate, it would not do for pasture the same season. Alfalfa is a comparatively tender plant during its first season, and as a rule should not be pastured.

Alfalfa requires a well-drained soil. It is best to sow in spring after thorough preparation of the soil, with thinly sown grain crop. From 15 to 18 los. alfalfa seed per acre is usually sufficient.

DISEASED SHEEP : ALFALFA.

To the Editor of FARMING :

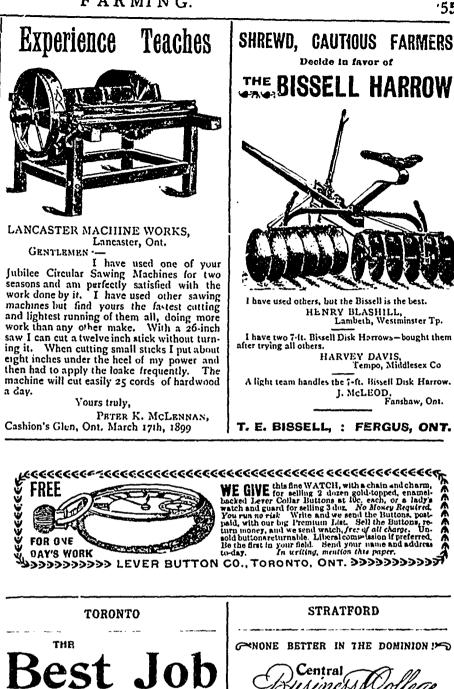
Will you be kind enough to answer me the following questions through FARMING ?

Last summer some of my sheep were afflicted with a kind of disease, or else it was the gnats that caused the trouble. Please give your opinion and what is the best treatment. The symptoms were as follows: The first we noticed were sores on the front legs just where the wool begins to get long, and sores around the eyes and on the ears. The ears were swollen and drooped down and have stayed so ever since, which gives them a very old appearance, and I think they have not done as well since. The treat-ment we used was to smear the parts afflicted with pine tar, which healed them and stopped any further trouble, but they look so old and dejected with their ears drooped down as if they were broken. I thought at the time it was the gnats that were worrying them, but a neighbor of ours says he had some afflicted the same way two years ago and their ears never got right and he thinks it is a disease.

I have a piece of clover sod that was pastured with hogs last summer, and plowed down in the fall. I want to seed it with alfalfa. What is the hest kind of grain to sow in order to get a good catch, and will the ground be suitable? It is rolling and dry and is heavy clay.

J. A. GLEDHILL. Petrolea, Ont., March 13th, 1899.

The disease was probably some form of skin disease caused by a parasite. The drooping of the ears is, doubtless, a result of the disease. From what you state the sheep have recovered from the skin disease, and we should



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judge that, if the sheep were kept in a thrifty condition under proper care, the ears would, after a time, come back to their normal position. Look to general hygienic conditions and proper feeding as described in answer to next question.

It is not considered good farm practice to sow clover after clover, and we think it would le better to try it on some other field. The remainder of this question is answered by Professor Day in the previous one.

PARALYSIS IN SHEEP.

To the Editor of FARMING :

A year ago I had a ewe that began to walk very stiffly in the hind quarters as if afflicted, as I thought with rheumatism. She got worse and could not move, lay down for some four or five weeks and then died. I did all I knew how to relieve her, but failed. I opened the carcase to see if I could discover the trouble, but failed to do so. There was a fully developed lamb in her. This season I have two ewes affected in the same way, only they have not been so long lying down as last year. One of them gave birth to a dead lamb, and died a few hours after, the other died yesterday, and was just beginning to lamb when she did so. I may say that when not able to get up, to look at them one would not suspect that there was anything wrong with them; they look bright and eat fairly well. Could you suggest what the trouble is, its cause and remedy ?

P.S.-Beside the ewes mentioned

above, I have two other ewes that

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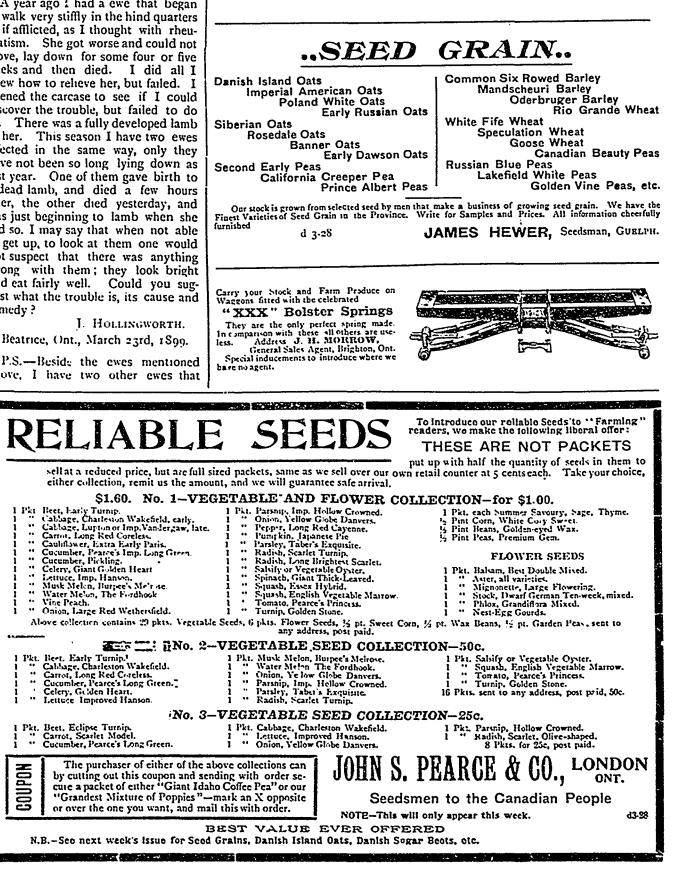
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have dropped their lambs, one single, one pair, all dead. My flock of sheep this season is a very sorry looking lot, why, is more than I can say. They have, I think, had more than the usual amount of care during the winter, but I do not recollect ever having seen them looking in so unthrifty a condidition.

I.H.

The trouble is probable paralysis, which may attack all species of animals about the time of parturition. Im-mediate treatment in such cases is often very unsatisfactory. The important thing is to find out the cause and have it removed. From what the writer states, and especially in his postscript, we are inclined to think that there may be something wrong with the surroundings of the sheep, or something wrong with the food, a deficiency of roots, etc. It is very common in this country to find sheep kept in too warm or badly ventilated sheds, or cooped up in some low building or room in which the atmosphere is bad and not fit for man or beast. Sheep like every other animal kept on a farm should be kept in an atmosphere where the air is pure. Then, too, many have the impression that a sheep should be kept in a place as warm as that re-quired for a cow. But a sheep does not need to be kept very warm. It can withstand cold very well so long as it is kept dry, but ventilation is of the utmost importance. During the winter months sheep should be protected from wet snowstorms or rains, and then if kept in a cool, well ventilated place will usually thrive well with good food.

It is difficult in the cases referred to to prescribe any treatment that would be satisfactory without seeing the sheep. Where such treatment is required it is better to call in some qualified veterinary surgeon. As a rule, however, where some of the cheaper animals on a farm are sick, such as a sheep or a pig, it hardly pays to go to much expense to cure it. It is better to try and find out the cause of the sickness and adopt preventive measures as we have tried to outline in this reply.

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MANURES AND MANURING.

In the third paragraph of Mr. Wallace's address in our issue nf 21st March, page 537, a slight error in punctuation occurs. The paragraph should read: "The straw contains most of the potash removed from the soil by the crop, and it was usually returned to the soil. Apart from the fact that our soils are usually well stored with potash, even often to a greater extent than lime, no serious loss of potash occurred by such grain growing."

MILLETS.

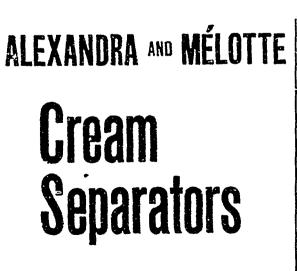
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Stock Notes

MR. GFO. B. ARMSTRONG, of Bowhill farm, Teeswater, Ont., is advertising a pure-bred Shorthorn bull, fourteen months old, for sale. He comes from good stock, as w seen by reference to the advertisement. be

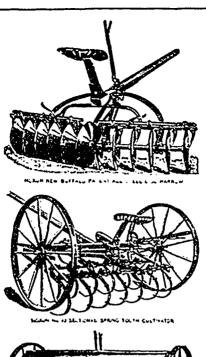
MR. T. A. COX, of Brantford, Ont., is not a little proud of his record as a prize-winner at the poultry shows. Any man who can win 495 times with the competition he meets in the poultry exhibitions of to-day is entitled to all the credit he is likely to get, and to a diploma as past grand master in the art of breeding and fitting poultry for show purposes.

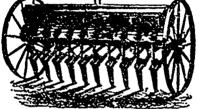
In addition to being one of our largest breeders of purebred Tamworth swine Mr. John Bell, Amber, Ont., is a breeder of heavy draft and carriage horses. At present he has nine very choicely bred Clydesdale stallions and one hackney. The hackney is said to have no superior in his class.

W. R. BOWMAN, of Mount Forest, Ont., W. R. BOWMAN, of Mount Forest, Ont., writes: "During the past few weeks sales have been so brisk that we are once more compelled to change our ad. Since January 1st, 1899, we have disposed of 12 Shorthorn bulls, 11 females, between 30 and 40 boars and sows, and have shipped stock to different points in Canada, including a good number to the Northwest and the United States. We are now booking orders for spring litters. We have three Yorkshire sows due to farrow shortly from which we houe to have something We have three Yorkshire sows due to farrow shortly from which we hope to have something choice, and for which we should have ready sale. Our Barkshire sow, hred by Snell, of Edmonton, from Star One (imp.), is sucking a litter of ten which will soon be ready for shipment. We believe our success is due mainly to advertising in the farm journals."

MENNES. W. & H. JONES, of Mount Elgin, Ont., report that their stock of Poland China swine has never wintered so satisfactorily as it has this year. The sows are dropping good litters of strong, lengthy pigs, especially the yearling sow of '98. She had a fine litter of nine pigs on the 5th of March, all of them being strong and well. It is the finest litter they have ever had. The site of the litter is Klondike, a litter brother to the grand sow, Lady Klondike, the pair never having been beaten in the show ring. They are in grand shape now, and they as well as their progeny will be able to munitain the reputation they have established and repeat their past successes in future competitions. Besides these Messrs. W. & H. Jones have several sows in pig and can supply any reasonable demand for choice Poland China stock. They have also a number of December and January pigs in pairs and twos which they will part with at reasonable prices. See their advt.

MR. JOHN DYMENT, of Hickory Hill Farm, Clappison, Ont., has a number of ex-ceptionally good individuals in his herd thus year. His stock ball, Drummon-1 - 2036-, is a fine big fellow of the true darry type. He has proved himself to be a sure getter and capable of reproducing the right kind of stock, his progeny, without exception, having turned out exceedingly well. Last year's group of out exceedingly well. Last year's crop of calves was in all respects most catisfactory.





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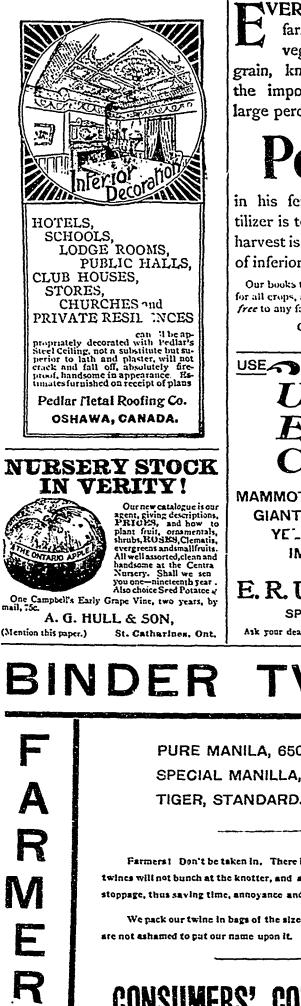
Some of them have gone to leading breeders in Canada and the United States at good prices and there are some of them left which are good enough to do credit to any herd. One of them from Drummond, dam Dandy— 2223 -is a particularly promising youngster. Dandy has a record of sixty-three pounds of milk in one day and has won first price in the milk test. She is as fine a milker as one would desire to put a pail under. Mr. Dyment is in receipt of very encouraging reports from those who have recently purchased from him. Steele Bros., of Heather Lodge Faum, Glen-boro', Man., report that Royal Chief of Hickory Hill has arrived at his new home in good condition, being apparently none the worse for his long journey, and that he has taken to his surroundings and feed better than any animal they have ever received from Eastern Canada. This promising young bull is a son of Drumnond and Nellie Gray -2057-, the latter having a milk recoro of 62 pounds per day and a test of 5.2 when giving 58 lbs. of milk. She is also a first prize winner at the Provincial DairyShow. Steele Bros. are natives of Auxibia Scouland and objet to know the of Ayrshire, Scotland, and claim to know the strain from which the stock originates and that is why they wanted to secure this young bull. They are expert breeders of Ayrshires and well able to handle the breed in a manner calculated to bring out their finest qualities. With such a sire as Royal Chief, they may be expected to produce a herd fit to compete with the best. We expect to hear favorable with the best. We expect to hear fav reports of this herd in the near future. Mr. Dyment's stock is doing well. He has a number of last year's calves to dispose of at reasonable prices according to quality.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. D. Drummond has made arrangements with Mr. F.W. Hodson to take over his entire herd of dairy cattle and business situated at Myrtle, Ont. The herd consists of twentytwo pure-bred Ayrshire females and two bulls. At the head of the herd is Kelso Boy -6629-who is so well known to Ayrshire breeders throughout the province that no special men-tion need be made of him more than to say he has proved himself an exceedingly good sire and a successful show-yard winner. His dam, Maggie Mitchell (Imp.), was a success-ful price winner in order to the successful prize winner in open contests and also the winner of the first prize in the dairy contest at the Gananoque Dairy Show held under the auspices of the Agricultural and Arts Association of the Province of Ontario.

ation of the frowince of Ontario. Among the cows are six imported ones, three of which were bred by Mrs. Wilson, of Boghall, Houston, Scotland, and three by Walter Park, of Hatton, Bishopion, Scotland. There are also six very promising heifers de-scended from these cows. Five others were selected from Mr. Drummond's late herd at Petite Cote, Que. The remainder are animals selected from the herd of the late Mr. Thos, Guy. The foundation of Mr. Drum-mond's present herd has been very carefully laid with special reference to the milking qualities of the animals. The six imported cows are without exception excellent milkers. cows are without exception excellent milkers. All have not been tested, but Cherry, of Bog-hall, the half-sister of Mattie, made in one week 20 lbs. t oz. of butter. Mattie, of Bog-hall (Imp.) 3329, made 75 lbs. of butter in five consecutive weeks. These are the only cows now in the herd that have been tested tor a period, but Dorcas now three years old, a daughter of Mattie by Victor, of Roghall, was bought by Mr. Robert Davis, who tested ner a few weeks ago and procured 1S lbs, of butter in 7 days. It is considered that there buller in 7 days. It is considered that there are several cows and heifers in the herd which under similar conditions would do as well or better than Mattie.

The animals purchased from Mr. Guy were specially selected for their milking qualities, specially selected for their milking qualities, and belonged, without exception, to Mr. Guy's best families, viz., the Gurtas, Dollys, Idalias, and Perfections. Mr. Drummond's herd, as it now stands, is a combination of what he considered the best milking animals contained in his late herd, that of Mr. Hod-son, and that of the late Mr. Guy. Some time before Mr. Guy's death, when he knew his herd was to be sold, he selected a number of choice animals especially for Mr. Hodson's



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of high-class, heavy-producing Ayrshires, and, while due consideration will be paid to con-formation, form, and the udder, special at-tention will be devoted to the production of heavy producers and cows capable of pro-ducing as large an amount of butter per week as possible.

The farm where Mr. Drummond will here-The farm where Mr, Drummond will here-after reside is now known as Glen Hodson, about two miles south of Myrtle Station on the C.P.R., and Myrtle Station on the G.T.R., and about two and one-half miles north and west of Brooklin on the G.T.R. This farm has been long noted as one of the best stock and guain farms in Ontario county, and has been celebrated for the excellent on the stock produced thereas. and has been celebrated for the excellent quality of the live stock produced thereon. As long ago as 1876, animals produced on this farm won the very highest records at the World's Centennial Exhibition, held at Phila-delphia. The section where Mr. Drummond has gone to reside is one of the most noted stock sections in Ontario. Maple Shade Farm, the home of the Hon. John Dryden, joins this farm on the south. Mr. Arthur Johnston, Graham Bros., of Claremont, John Miller, of Brougham, Wm. Smith, of Colum-bus, are all within a radius of a few miles. In addition to breeding Ayrshires, Mr. Drum-mond has decided to breed Yorkshires, and has recently procured two excellent sows of the Mite family from Mr. Jos E. Brethour, of Burford, Ont.

We join with many others in wishing Mr. Drummond abundant success in his new home. The following is a list of the sales made at Mr. Drummond's dispersion sale, held on February 16th last :

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ber 7th, 1894. Buyer, G. R. Muir, St. Laurent	75	8
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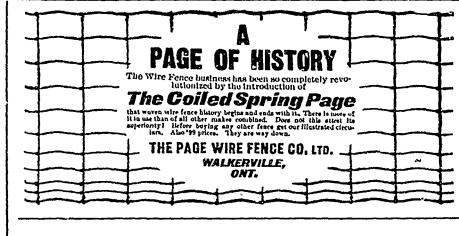
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Publishers' Desk.

Of Interest to Advertisers .- The issue of the Directory of the American Press for 1899, published by the large Newspaper and Magazine Agency of Lord & Thomas, Chi-cago, Ill., has just appeared. This neat little book, besides having all its usual interesting features, to wit: a complete list of all pub-lications in the United States and Canada, contains many new and interesting features which testify to the enterprise of the comwhich testify to the enterprise of the com-pilers. This is the first Newspaper Directory to enumerate the several boroughs of Greater New York, it is also the first to list the papers published in Porto Rico, Cuba, Hawaiin and Philippine Islands. This feature alone will make it of great interest to advertisers why desire to join in the new policy of expansion, her bigging their ware before the neople of by bringing their ware, before the people of our new possessions. The book throughout evidences the care with which it is compiled, and it is bound to meet with the appreciation that it deserves.

A Prosperous Company.-In a recent issue we referred to the opening of the new factory recently completed by the Goold, Shapley & Muir Company, Limited, at Brantford. We are now indebted to the Shapley & Muir Company, Limited, at Brantford. We are now indebted to the Brantford Courier for many interesting de-tails concerning the business of this enter-prising company. To show what pluck, en-terprise, and a system of perfectly fair dealing will accomplish in the development of a busi-ness despite adverse circumstances, keen competition, and obstacles big enough to dis-courage any ordinaty men, it is mentioned courage any ordinary men, it is mentioned that in 1893-six years ago-the office staff of the company numbered two, to day it is eleven. Then there were two travellers on the road, now the firm employ seven. Then the factory pay-roll showed 15 employees, today there are nearly 100, and everything in-dicates a further increase of business and a largely increased staff to meet its requirements. The company claim that they have now the most extensive and best equipped now the most extensive and best equipped factory under the British flag for the manu-facture of steel windmills, grain grinders, and wood pumps of all kinds, and that they can not only claim superiority in this respect to nearly all American firms, but can claim it over all the outling of their goods. This over all in the quality of their goods. This is a fact of which all loyal Canadians should be proud. The new home of the company consists of a main building 265 feet long, with an average width of 60 feet, containing the office, stock roorr, sample and pattern room, the iron working machine shop, with erecting room and storage in the top, the shipping and packing department occupying three stories, the engine and the boiler room, stock room, paint shop and tin shop. To the west is a building 42 by E4 feet, containing the wood





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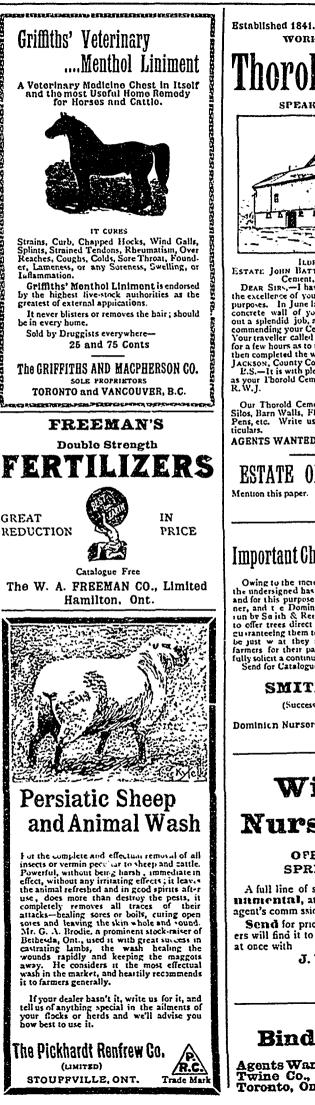
working muchinery and bee s v derartworking inchinery and bee s y department. Adjoining the bee supply department is the blacksmith shop and wheel room 50x90, with dry kiln in the west end opening into the woodshop. Next to the east is the galvanizing room, 48x50, and the grinding room, 20x50. The moulding shop is 64x68feet and is an entirely new building. There are fire walls between each department and modern appliances for protection against fire in every department. To the firm 'elongs the distinction of being the first in Canada to adopt the manufacture of steel windmills, and also the credit of improved designs of great value and of distinctively Canadian origin. Among these are the Maple Leaf Grain Grinder (patented). The Steel King pumping windmill with sprocket chain drive (patented), the Ideal Steel Flag Staff (patented), the Gearless Fanning Mill (patented), besides minor points of excellence. The Stover Mnfg. Co. of Freeport, III., one of the strongest wadmill firms in America have made arrangements with the firm to are fire walls between each department and have made arrangements with the firm to make their "Steel King" pumping windmill under patent.

The trade in all the goods is constantly growing in every part of Canada and is cap-able of greater development. Shipments of windmills and grinders have also been made to Chili and Argentina, South America, as well as to South Africa and Australia. Re-cently a carload of bee supplies worth nearly \$3,000 was shipped to Great Britain, and an-other order is being completed for the same other order is being completed for the same market. It is only necessary to mention the names of the men at the head to account for the great success which the firm has achieved. Mr. E. L. Goold is president, and also presi-dent of the Goold Bicycle Co., the almost phenomenal success of which is well known to our readers. Mr. W. II. Shapley was formerly superintendent, but is now con-nected with the bicycle industry, and gives nearly all his time to it. Mr. John Muir, vice president, shares the active management with Mr. Henry Yeigh, the secretary-treasurer. He is a thoroughly practical man and knows every requirement of a farm implement. Many improvements in the firm's line of goods owe their origin to his experience and pracowe their origin to his experience and prac-tical knowledge of machinery. Mr. Harry Yeigh, the secretary-treasurer, is perhaps as well known to the customers of

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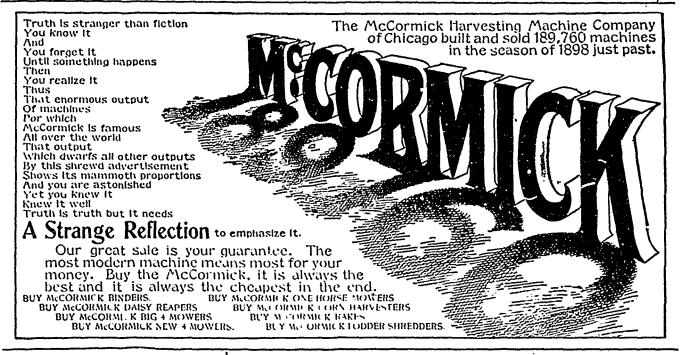
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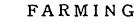
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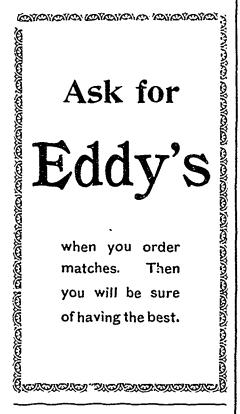
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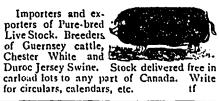
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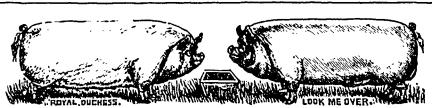
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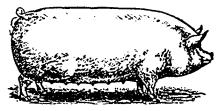


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STOCK FOR THE WEST.

Another carload of purebred live stock shipped under the auspices of the Live Stock Association will leave for the West early in April. Several more animals are required to complete the carload. Intending shippers may obtain full particulars upon application to the Secretary of the Association, F. W. Hodson, Parliament Buildings, Toronto.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO SECRETARIES AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF **FARMERS' INSTITUTES.**

Although the institute meetings are over for the season, a number of the institutes have not complied with the requirements of rules 58 and 60, which read as follows : "Within one week after the close of each institute meeting or series of meetings, the secretary shall forward to the superintendent a detailed report of said meeting or meetings, in which shall be stated the name of the place or places where sessions were held, the number of persons present at each session, the name and address of each person who read a paper or gave an address, the title of the address or paper, and a comment upon its value, whether good, fair, or indif-ferent. (Use form A of the secretary's minute book for making returns re-quired by this clause.)" "The secretary shall, when possible, retain the manu-script of all papers read at institute meetings by local talent, in order that he may, when required, furnish the superintendent with the same. Each institute is required to forward at least two such papers each year, which may be published as the superintendent de cides. Secretaries or essayists are not required to rewrite papers before sending them to the superintendent; forward them as read at local meetings."

It is imperative that these rules be complied with, and no institute will receive the usual Government grant this year whose secretary does not promptly comply with the requirements set forth in each of these clauses.

HOW TO INCREASE THE MEMBER-SHIP.

A few institutes have adopted special means of increasing their membership for the year 1899. Following is a copy of a circular sent out by Mr. C. W. Young, secretary of Cornwall and Stormont Institutes :

Cornwall, Feb. 20, 1899.

DEAR SIR,-The meetings of the Stormont Farmers' Institute for 1898.9 are now over, and I find on looking over the books that it appears you have not renewed your membership. I am sure this must have been because you were absent from the meetings or through inadvertence, as the literature received by institute members is worth many times the 25c. fee to any progressive farmer.

This is why I have taken the liberty of calling your attention to the matter, as I regret exceedingly to lose any of our members.

I enclose you an envelope directed and a perforated card in which you can place the "quarter" necessary to continue the benefits of institute niembership for the current year.

Should you have renewed and not been credited will you kindly notify me at once and I will make the correction.

Sincerely yours,

C. W. Young.

Secretary.

On the outside of the perforated card to which Mr. Young refers in his circular is printed-" Put in 25c. and seal. Enclosed you will find 25c. to renew my membership for the current year in the Stormont Farmers' Institute.

" Name.....

" P.O....."

This circular has been the means of adding quite a number of members to the list of these two institutes.

Peel Farmers' Institute has also adopted a similar means of increasing The circular sent its membership. out by the energetic secretary, Mr. R. McCulloch, read as follows :

Snelgrove, March 10th, 1899.

DEAR SIR,-Owing no doubt to the condition of the weather and roads you were not at the meetings of the institute held in the county, and in consequence your membership fee for the present year has not been paid. We are anxious to maintain the reputation of the institute as one of the strongest of the province.

Will you forward me at once 25c., when I will enter your name as a member for 1899.

Agricultural papers at the following rates : Farmers' Advocate, 55c.; FARM. ING, 40C. to institute members.

Very truly,

R. MCCULLOCH, P. Speers, President. Sec-Treas.

We think the plan adopted by these institutes a very good one and should be the means of doing much towards increasing the membership.

INSTITUTE MEETINGS.

The following is the average attendance at meetings, reports of which have been re-ceived since the last list published :

Algoma, Centre Carleton	100
Huron, West	126
Lanark, SouthUnion	152 48

The following is a list of the members received since the last list published :

Algoma, Centre	50
Cornwall	28
Frontenac	- c
Grey, South	5
Hastings, East	-
Huran Wact	13
Huron, West	82
Kent, East	2
Lanark, South	40
Muskoka, North	32
Muskoka, South	
Norfolk, North	3
	I
Oxford, North	7
Parry Sound, West	ġ
Prescott	2
Renfrew, North	
Simcoe, South	3
Sincoe, South	2
Simcoe, West	3
Union	5
Waterloo, North.	
Waterloo South	3
Waterloo, South	26
Wentworth, North	3

SECRETARY'S REPORT. (Continued from March 11.) From the above outline of the plan for assembling and distributing carloads of stock, it will be seen that a large amount of detail work is necessitated, and it is necessary that the attendant, as well as being capable of caring for stock and accurately following out instructions, must also be one who is thoroughly reliable, as the collections amount in each case to quite a large sum. If the car sent out were an ordinary car-load from one point in Ontario to one destination, there would be no difficulty in obtaining any number of capable men to take charge of the car in order to obtain free transportation. With the conditions as they at present are, however, it has been found much more satisfactory to engage a suitable man, pay him for his time, and furnish him with return transportation to Ontario. This extra cost has been objected to as unnecessary, but it cannot be satisfactorily done in any other way. The secretarytreasurer, who is responsible for the safe-keeping of the funds of the associations, cannot be expected to allow a man who may be, and no doubt is, perfectly reliable to make collections for the associations unless he knows for hunself that the man is reliable, or unless some reliable person known to the secretary agrees to go security for said person. Shippers will sometimes state that they have had stock delivered at some point in the West for a less amount than the associations can agree to transport same for. This may be quite true. A breeder comes to Ontario and buys perhaps twelve or thirteen head and orders a car. He has room for four or five more head, and to take out a full car-load will not cost him one cent more than if the car is only two-thirds full. If he can arrange to take other stock besides his own he is quite willing and anxious to do so at a very low rate, as anything he receives in this way is a clear gain to him. The association cars are not shipped until a full car-load is available, and each animal is then charged an equitable proportion according to the space occupied, the charges simply being high enough to cover the cost incurred. Nothing whatever is made out of these shipments by any one; they are entirely for the benefit of parties having small shipments. If shippers or buyers can have stock delivered at any cheaper rates, no one is more glad to have them do so than the officers of the Dominion Live

Stock Associations; but if they cannot arrange to have the stock delivered at a less rate, we are quite willing to deliver them at the rates as per schedule above.

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MARKET REVIEW AND FORECAST.

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44 and 46 Richmond street west Toronto, Mar. 27th, 1899.

General trade has been somewhat quieter during the past week owing to the weather, especially in eastern Ontario and Quebec, where they have experienced some of the severest weather of the season, impeding travel in many directions. A feature in the situation is a marked hardening tendency of the money market, which is having the effect of checking rash speculation.

Wheat.

The wheat situation remains practically unchanged, with perhaps a little stronger feeling abroad. It is now quite evident that unless the coming crop turns out to be greatly in-jured and a very poor harvest is promised, the price of wheat cannot get much higher than it is at the present time. In the United States, Canada and Russia the bulk of last year's crop is in first hands. This means that there are large quantities of wheat to go forward and more than enough to supply all needs till the new crop is ready. The all needs till the new crop is ready. The world's wheat supply in sight is 66,632,000 hushels as compared with 69,737,000 hushels a year ago. It will be seen from this that the quantity in sight is gradually approaching that of last year.

Lable reports on Saturday were stronger, and show advances caused by a stronger feel-ing in the Chicago ard other American markets. An indication of how things are here is that some Canadian operators are selling short, feeling confident that they can get the wheat whenever they want it. At Montreal prices have been fluctuating owing to crop prices have been fluctuating owing to crop reports. Ontatio millers are paying from 67 to 68c. for red winter wheat, but exporters claim that they cannot pay over 65 to 66c. Red and white is quoted here at 67 to 68c. west and north; go se 65 to 66c.; No. I hard Manitoba 80c. and No. I Northern at 77c Toronto hut there prices are position 77c. Toronto, but these prices are nominal. Ou the local farmers' market red and white brings from 69 to 70c., fife 71c. and goose 65c.

Oats and Barley

It is estimated that Canada will have about 5,000,000 bushels of cats to dispose of as soon as navigation opens. Of late years Great Briain has taken more oats from Canada and the United States than from Russia. The London market is down 6d. to 9d., but the market has firmed up considerably. Oats at Montreal have declined I cent during the past two weeks, and are quoted at about 311/2

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Oats are easier here at 29 to 30c. cents. west. On the local market oats are quoted at 34 to 351/2c. per bushel. Barley at Montreal is easier at 52 to 54c.

It is quoted here at 44 to 46c. west.

Peas and Corn.

The London market for peas is active. The Montreal market is easier, and quotations are 72 to 73c. in store. The market here is firm at 65 to 66c. west in car lots. On the local market peas are quoted at 59 to 60c. per bushel.

No. 2 American corn mixed is quoted in Montreal at 43 to 44c. net, and here at 41 to 42c. on track.

Bran and Shorts.

Bran is considered too high at Montreal to meet with much enquiry. Ontario bran is quoted at \$16 to \$17, and shorts at \$17.50 to \$18.50 per ton in car lots. City mills here are selling bran at \$14.50 and shorts at \$16.50 in car lots f.o.b. Toronto.

Clover and Timothy Seeds

The Montreal market is quiet and prices are in buyers' favor. Quotations there are : Ontario timothy, \$1.60 to \$1.75; American, \$1.25 to \$1.50; red clover, \$3.75 to \$4.50; Alsike, \$3.50 to \$4.50 per bushel, as to quality. On the local market here red clover quality. On the local market here red clover brings \$3 to \$3.50; white \$5 to \$8; Alsike \$3 to \$4.10, and timothy seed from \$1.20 to \$1.35 per bushel.

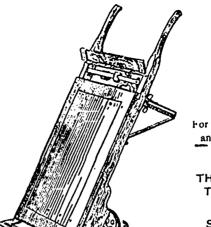
Eggs and Poultry.

The London, England, egg market is steady at the recent decline, low prices stimul-ating the demand. Prices have advanced one cent at Montreal during the week due to cold weather, with sales at 1212 to 13c. wholesale. The price of eggs usually fluctuates at this season of the year. There is a good demand here, but the offerings are large and prices are easier at about 12%, in large lots for strictly new laid. On the local

market new laid bring from 121 to 14c. Some Montreal merchants are shipping Some Montreal merchants are shipping out large quantities of spring poultry to the English market. The prices there for dressed poultry are : turkeys, 9 to 10c. ; chickens, 7 to 7½; geese 3 to 5c. and ducks 7 to 8c. per lb. The receipts here are fair and there is a good demand at 11 to 13c. per lb. for turkeys; 6 to 7c. per lb. for geese; 50 to 75c. per pair for ducks, and 40 to 70c. per pair for chickens. Prices are higher on the local market. market.

Potatoes.

Prices are advancing. A great many On-tatio buyers are in Quebec and around Mon-treal buying potatoes, and prices are much higher west than east. They are quoted at Montreal at about 60c. per bag in car lots. Polatoes are scarce in Toronto, where car lots on track are quoted at 75 to 82c., and out of store at 90c. per bag. On the local farmers' market they bring from 85 to 95c. per bag.



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Apples at Montreal bring from \$3 to \$4.50 per bbl., but there is very little doing. On this market they bring from \$2.5C to \$4 per barrel.

Hay and Straw.

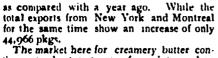
Considerable Canadian hay is being ex-ported, and because of its good quality is selling at about 3s. above other qualities at Liverpool. There is more activity reported at country points on this side, particularly in Quebec, where contracts are being made for delivery a month or two hence at \$3.35 to delivery a month or two hence at \$3.35 to \$4.25 f.o.b., as to quality. The Montreal market for baled hay is quict with prices steady at \$5.50 to \$6 for choice No. 2; \$4.50 to \$5 for No. 2 ordinary, and \$3.50 to \$4.50 for clover. The market here is dull at \$7 to \$7.50 for baled hay, and \$4 to \$4.50 for baled straw in car lots. On the local farmers' market timothy brings \$9 to \$10; clover \$6 to \$5; sheaf straw \$6.50, and loose straw \$4 to \$4.50 per ton. to \$4.50 per ton.

Chosse.

The cheese business seems to be one of gains and loss-s. A year ago dealers were reported to have lost heavily, while this spring those who were so fortunate as to store cheese are being recouped to the extent of 103, per cwt, more than the goods cost. Such a satisfactory outcome of the year's business will have the effect of causing the season to open up well. Prospects continue br ght, and there is not likely to be any old stock on hand when the new goods arrive in England. This will probably induce a larger make of fodder cheese than last year. The British markets continue firm, with a good demand at the recent advance, and prices are still tending upward. The Montreal market is very strong, with prices ranging from 10% to 11c., the latter figure being refused by some holders. It is estimated that there are not more than 20,000 boxes to be disposed of, the rest being held for instructions from England. The total decrease in shipments from Montreal amount to 243,127 boxes, making a total decrease from Montreal and New York as compared with a year ago of 546,103 boxes.

Butter.

The butter situation on the whole is good. Prices have been well maintained on this side. The Trade Bulletin's special London cable of March 23rd reads thus : "The market side. has assumed a much quieter aspect, but sellers are not at all anxious to force husiness, as stocks are still within very limited compass. Finest Canadian creamery 963. to 983." At Mon'real the market for choice fresh creamery has ruled firm, and this class of goods is scarce. This quality sells readily at 201 to 21c. Early makes bring from 191 to 20c. Western dairy is quoted there at 141 to 15c. The exports from Montreal from May 1st, 1898, to date show an increase of 98,646 pkgs.,



tinues steady at 20 to 21c. for prints, and 19 to 20c. for tubs. Receipts of dairy are a little more liberal and there is a fair demand, with the market for the best firm. Choice dairy tubs bring from 13 to 15c; large rolls from 14 to 10c., and pound prints from 16 to 17c. wholesale. On the local farmers' market large rolls are worth from 15 to 17c., and lb. prints from 18 to 200

Cattle.

The cattle situation remains active. There is a good active demand at American markets for prime cattle, which are scarce. All other breeds have, however, sold readily during the week. There is a more active demand at Chicago and Western markets for stockers chicago and western markets in success and feeders. Receipts on Toronto market on Friday were light and the quality of the fat cattle only fair. Trade was good and prices cattle only fair. Trade was good and prices higher, especially for butchers' cattle. It is not expected that this advance will hold should there be a heavy run next market day, which is to morrow.

which is to morrow. Extert Cattle.—Choice heavy exporters sold at \$4.85 to \$5 per cwt., and light ones at \$4.70 to \$4.85. Choice picked lots of heavy exporters in small lots brought 10 to 15c. more. Choice heavy export bulls of good quality bring \$3.85 to \$4.25, and medium hulls \$3.60 to \$3.75 per cwt. Buttiend Cettle. Choice nicked lots of

Butchers' Cattle .- Choice picked lots of these equal in quality, but not as heavy as the lest exporters, bring from \$4.40 to \$4.65 per cwt. Good butchers' cattle fetch \$4.35 to \$4.50, and medium \$4 to \$4.25 per cwt.

Stockers and Feeders .- The deliveries of Buffalo stockers are light with prices firm at \$3.50 to \$3.80 for general run, and as high as \$4 for choice bred steers. Stock heilers bring about \$3 per cwt. Heavy feeders bring about \$3 per cwt. Heavy feeders weighing from 1000 to 1150 lbs. each are scarce and are worth from \$4.15 to \$4.30 per cwt. Feeding bulls suitable for the stables are worth from \$3 to \$3 25 per cwt.

Calues .--- These are worth from \$2 to \$10

each, the hulk going at from \$5 to \$8 each. Mikk Cows and Springers. - Really good ones are scarce and are worth \$50 each. The general run fetch from \$25 to \$40 each.

Sheep and Lambs,

Early in the week the Buffalo, Chicago and Western markets were very active, but towards the end of the week prices dropped a little, owing to the large runs induced by the advanced market early in the week, but the general situation is still good. About 200 sheep and lambs were offered on this market sneep and lambs were offered on this market on Friday. Ewes sold at \$3 to \$3 50 and bucks at \$2.50 to \$2.55 per cwt. Yearling lambs were scarce with prices firm at \$4.85 to \$5 for general run and \$5.10 to \$5.15 for picked lots of ewes and wethers. A few spring lambs are beginning to come in, and sell for \$4 to \$6 each.

Hogs.

Prices for hogs remain about the same, though it is expected that light and thick fat hogs will be 12% c. lower this week, as there are too many of the former coming forward. are too many of the former coming forward. Choice selected bacon hogs, weighing from 160 to 200 lbs. unfed and unwatered, fetch \$4 50, light \$4.12½, and thick lats \$3.75 to \$3.87½ per cwt. Good light bacon hogs at Montreal fetch \$4 50 to \$4.60 and heavier qualities \$4.25 to \$4.30 per cwt. The Trade Bulletise, London, cable of March 23rd, re Canadian hacon, says: "The market is dull owing to the falling off in the demand, but, as stocks are light, holders are not pushing cales." sales."

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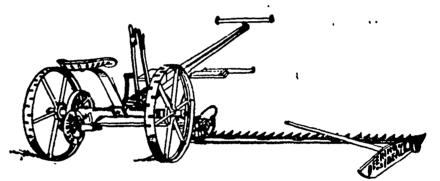
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