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A POOR HOUSE.

Mr. McFarland's letter, dealing with a county poor house, which was published in many of the county papers two weeks ago, has had the effect of showing that the press of this county is unanimous in the opinion that a poor house should be built. Editors, as a general rule, are humanitarians, and this is a case in which such views should be exercised. Corporations and the body politic embrace the other extreme and look at matters from the cold dollar and cent standpoint. Possibly the knowledge that we are assisting to maintain other poorhouses throughout the province, through the government grant, will go a great way in the argument at the June session of our County Council. We trust it will, with others, be sufficient to outweigh the negative. There is seldom an Assize Court held in Owen Sound at which the presiding judge does not find occasion to censure this county for not providing accommodation for its poor. It is a hopeful sign to hear one who has been opposed to the scheme heretofore say, as we did the other day, that he was now "open to conviction," although it is somewhat surprising to learn that any of our members have been steeling their hearts against argument. Mr. McFarland's letter was a powerful appeal opportunely presented.

Hon. Oliver Mowat and Hon. John Abbot have been knighted.

Sir Alexander Campbell, Lieut.-Governor of Ontario, died on Tuesday afternoon at Toronto.

Suggestions on the Care of Milk

To the Editor of The Advance.

The business of dairying when wisely and carefully followed insures to the farmer a safe and steady income. We are favored with all the natural advantages needed in the production of cheese of the finest quality. The permanent success of the dairy industry depends upon the quality of the product. Every patron is, or should be, interested and take a personal interest in the care of their milk; hence I throw out these suggestions to assist the patrons in producing and supplying to Flesherton cheese factory milk of uniformly good quality.

1st—Milk should be supplied from only healthy cows which are fed upon wholesome food with access to plenty of pure water and salt.

2nd—The pastures, yards and cans should be kept free from carrion and all decaying matter which may cause noxious smells.

3rd—Each patron shall furnish pure sweet milk to which nothing has been added and from which no part has been removed or kept back, and if any be reserved, it shall be of the average quality of milk given by the herd of cows. Milk shall not be offered to the Flesherton cheese factory from any cows until after the fourth day after calving.

4th—He only that hath clean hands shall be allowed to milk a cow.

5th—Milk should be drawn from the cow in a cleanly manner. The udders should be brushed or washed, and milking with dry hands is preferable to the practice of dipping the fingers in the pail in order to moisten them.

6th—Immediately after the milk is drawn from the cow it should be strained through a wire or cloth strainer.

7th—All pails and other utensils with which the milk is brought into contact must be of tin, the use of

wooden pails for milking or holding milk is strictly forbidden.

8th—In preparing milk for the Flesherton cheese factory, it should immediately after straining be thoroughly aired by pouring, dipping or stirring, or by the use of an aerator. This is as beneficial for the morning's milk as for the evening's, and is as necessary when the weather is cool as when it is warm.

9th—When both messes of milk are conveyed to the factory in one can the mixing of the morning's with the evening's milk should be delayed till the milk-waggon is in sight of the stand.

10—The milk must be kept in a place where the atmosphere is pure and free from foul and injurious smells.

11th—Each and every milk-can should be washed with cold or tepid water first, then scalded with boiling water, once a day (outside as well as in). They should afterwards be aired.

12—The surroundings of the milk-stand shall be kept clean and free from bad smells, and the feeding of swine within one hundred feet of the milk-stand is strictly forbidden.

13—The milk shall be delivered on the milk-stand at a time to suit convenience of the milk drawer.

14th—The cheese-maker shall reject any milk which he considers to be unfit for use in the manufacture of the finest quality of cheese.

Without your earnest attention to these suggestions my efforts for the finest quality of good cheese are in vain.

CHAS. STEWART.

Lecture on the N. W. T.

To the Editor of The Advance.

DEAR SIR,—On Thursday evening, May 19th, the Vandeleur neighborhood was favored with a lecture given by John McIntosh, Esq., delegate from Assiniboia district, his object being to explain to the farmers of Ontario the fine country there is in the Northwest for their surplus population. More especially did he uphold the Moose Jaw district as being one of the best wheat-growing districts of the territories, while at the same time it was one of the most beautiful. He had with him a sample of the Old Glasgow spring wheat of a very superior kind, which he stated was part of a crop of thirty-five bushels to the acre, this being the fifth crop without ploughing or other cultivation, except raking off the stubble and harrowing in the seed. He also spoke of the people of the Province of Manitoba as speaking with prejudice towards the territories in order to draw immigration more especially to their own province. However, this is only human nature, and such things must be expected. He stated that the Moose Jaw district was not so subject to frosts as the province of Manitoba, and on the whole recommended it as being a more desirable part of that country for agricultural purposes, and gave many instances where intelligent and energetic farmers had become very prosperous in the last few years. The speaker himself has been a resident near Moose Jaw for some years and therefore knows whereof he speaks. He seems to be very intelligent and is recommended and vouched for as regards his veracity, by a very highly respected gentleman who is now a resident in this part of the country. Mr. McIntosh has lectured in different parts of this province, and held a meeting in the Orange Valley district on the 18th inst. At the meeting at Vandeleur the information he bestowed was well received, and after many questions being satisfactorily answered, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker, when the meeting was drawn to a close by the chairman, who was, yours respectfully,

THOS. KELLS.

Practical Poultry Raising.

BY T. A. WILLIAMS, WESTON, ONT.

It is an astonishing thing that the farmers of Canada will continue to stand in the way of their own interests by keeping such a miserable class of poultry as is found on the average farm. Those who have added thoroughbred fowls to their live stock, readily see the advantage of them, but the best stock on earth will not be profitable unless managed with the same business discretion which should characterize all farming operations. Having given an inkling of the possibilities of poultry raising we will now enter upon the practical details of the subject, and in order that all our readers may thoroughly understand us, we shall have to start at the "beginning" and take nothing for granted. Those old breeders who probably know more of this

subject than the writer, and who may get tired of wading through so much elementary detail, can skip that portion of it, but it must appear for the benefit of those of our readers who are mere tyros, anxious to begin anything that may prove of benefit to them. If any time the writer advocates any method or makes any statement that does not coincide with the readers' views, please remember that you are not bound to accept it as authority, and it is given here simply as our opinion, which we must stick to until convinced that we are wrong.

MAKING A START.

We have frequently been asked which is the best general purpose breed. Now if we mention any particular breed as being the best, some of our brother breeders might take exception to the statement, as there are several breeds that lay claim to this honor. A doctor who takes the same medicine himself that he prescribes for his patients would at least be considered a consistent physician. Similarly we may say that after years of experimenting with the various pure breeds in our search for the most practically useful fowl, we long ago decided that for our purpose the Plymouth Rocks were superior to all others. The longer we breed them the better we like them, and we confidently recommend them to all who want a general purpose breed. Plymouth Rocks are good layers, particularly in cold weather when eggs bring the best prices. They are good table fowls, being large and producing a fine quality of meat; are very hardy at all ages, indeed we find them without exception the hardiest of any breed we have ever experimented with; the chicks grow fast and feather early and are fit to kill at any age from eight weeks old; they make the most attractive table poultry of any breed with which we are acquainted, and finally when well bred they are a handsome variety.

This combination of good qualities will account for our preference of the Plymouth Rocks, but it is for you to select the breed that you think would suit you the best. A few suggestions may perhaps assist you in making your selection. The income from your fowls is to be derived from eggs and market poultry, therefore it is important that you select a breed that produces an abundance of eggs early in the season when the weather is cold and most of the hens in the country are doing nothing. You will obtain the best prices of the year for such eggs as you wish to sell, and you will be enabled to hatch your chickens early, the pullets being saved for the next winter's laying stock, and the cockerels being placed on the market early before the general supplies of spring chicks appear, will bring a good price, and often pay the cost of their own raising and the growing of the pullets to maturity, and perhaps leave a little profit besides. In order to obtain the best price for your spring chicks it is of the greatest importance that you select a breed that embodies the popular ideal of what a first-class table fowl should be.

(To be continued).

Notice to Creditors.

In the matter of the estate of John Robert Beatty, farmer, deceased.

Notice is hereby given in pursuance of R. S. O. 1887, Chap. 110, Sec. 36, that all creditors and others having any claims or demands against the estate of John Robert Beatty, late of the township of Osprey, in the County of Grey, farmer, deceased, who died on or about the 1st day of November, A. D. 1891, are required to send by post, prepaid, on or before the 15th day of June, 1892, to the undersigned a statement in writing, of their christian and surnames and addresses, and the full particulars of their claims and demands, and the nature of their securities, if any, held by them. And notice is further given, that after the said last mentioned date the administratrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been given as above required, and the administratrix will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claim notice shall not have been received at the time of distribution. Dated at Owen Sound 17th day of May, A. D. 1892.

J. W. FROST,
Solicitor for the said administratrix.

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