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THE PROHIBITION QUESTION.

Many people living outside of Ontario appear to harbor the idea that the late plebiscite vote was a direct prohibition victory. While a victory in one sense of the term it does not follow that prohibition is insured. There is a large amount of fighting yet to be done, and if, as some think, it will become a game of football between the Dominion and Local houses, prohibition may be a long way off. But it is bound to come in time because the people have said they want it, and the people govern this country. In this connection we quote from a private letter received from a Canadian, now resident in Chicago, who appears to be laboring under the misapprehension referred to, but whose letter is none the less interesting on that account:

Chicago, Jan. 2nd, 1894.

I feel that congratulations are in order this morning for the success which you and other temperance workers have accomplished in Ontario. No victory ever fought and won at the polls ever gave me such a feeling of gratitude to heaven as the victory gained yesterday in which Ontario has commenced the year 1894 by shaking from herself the greatest curse which humanity ever groaned under. I am proud of the land of my nativity and of the village in which I was born, which though it may not be one of the most prominent before the eyes of the public, is one of God's oasis spots in the great world desert of intemperance. You know that in Montana there are large desert tracts which were barren and useless, where if seed were planted the sun would scorch and destroy. No moisture could be extracted from the soil to keep life in the plant, because the sun had already sapped that vital principle from it. People gazed on it and sighed to think of such grand possibilities lying idle. They applied themselves to the task of devising some means whereby it might be rendered fertile. They dug trenches through it to mountain streams and by the process of irrigation have created green pastures where homes are built and the inhabitants prosper and where sheep and cattle graze in plenty. Ontario's position to-day reminds me of those irrigated lands. Once scorched by the withering rays of intemperance, good seed wherein sown was subject to the blight. Owing its work to be wrong yet determined to crush the right, it continually brow-beat the earnest worker and tore down the fruits of his efforts. Yesterday Ontario completed her system of irrigation, attached the last great section of her sluice pipe to the fountain of legislation and can now regulate the moisture to the need of the land.

The exact figures in the prohibition vote have not yet been made public, but they will amount to about two to one in favor of prohibition.

Farmers' Institute.

AFTERNOON MEETING.

The directors selected the following parties to introduce the subjects which were on the order paper to be discussed at the Central Institute: Mr. George Stewart, "The Dairy interests of our county and its future prospects." From the position he occupied as a maker of cheese he said he felt a little dilatory in speaking on the subject assigned him, yet from his knowledge of the subject he felt compelled to urge the farmers to turn their coarse grain into dairy products. He need only mention the high position we had occupied at the World's fair as a proof of the bright prospects for the future.

The President, "The future work of the Institute," reviewed the past work of the Institutes, the good work being done by the Central Institute and its usefulness in bringing before the government legislation required by the farmers, and as an educator in the future.

John Boland, reeve of Artemesia, and T. Ganey, reeve of Osprey, introduced the subjects "How can governments best further the interests of the Agriculturists?" Mr. Boland gave the governments much credit for the assistance they had rendered the agricultural products of the Dominion before the world at the Columbian exhibition. He thought the government could do much to further our interest by fixing the rail-road and steam-boat rates. Whenever our products went up in value these companies increased their rates and derived the profits. They

could also assist us in freer trade relations with the world. Mr. Ganey thought they could assist us very much by reducing our representatives, but he thought ere long there would be plenty of farmers there to assist the governments to further our interests.

Mr. D. K. Ellis was called on to introduce the subject, "The improvement of our Public Roads." He said, although it was a very important subject he would not attempt to speak upon it, but would give way to hear the professor.

Mr. McNish being introduced, said he was from the county of Leeds. His subject was, "Breeding, feeding and training of cattle intended for dairy purposes." He said other countries might defeat us in butter, but we could lead the world with our cheese. The first object was to select the animal with a good milking record and bred with animals of that line, and feed with that object in view; keep the young animals growing but never fat; breed when from two to two and a half years old. His remarks on milking and other things have been gone over recently at the travelling dairy meetings. He recommended for cracked teats to use sweet oil and carbolic acid; for lacerated ones use a siphon. Being asked if he liked the silo, he said he thought it was good but it had been boomed too much.

J. Hugh Reid, V. S., was called on to speak on "The ordinary diseases of the stomach of the Ox." The ox is usually said to contain four stomachs, the first three prepare the food, the fourth digests it. Bloat is a frequent ailment and one which requires treatment, often before a veterinary surgeon can be procured. They often succumb either from the effects of the stomach pressing upon the diaphragm, thus interfering with respiration, or from the absorption into the system of the poisonous gases evolved. The distended paunch, the labored breathing, the belching and dripping of saliva from the mouth, as well as the uneasiness of movement and the prominence and wild expression of the eyes are symptoms of the trouble. Linseed oil and turpentine often give relief. Another good remedy is to give from three to four ounces of bicarbonate of soda, or even tie a two inch round piece of wood like a bit in the mouth, in urgent cases the trocar and caula should be used; if this is not at hand a knife blade will do. He had known an axe to be used. There is no danger in performing this operation. Another frequent ailment is infraction of the stomach, which is often caused by animals getting at grain or chop. Give a good purgative salts, from one to four pounds. This should be given as soon as it is known that they have eaten too much. If purgation cannot be had, rumenotomy must be resorted to. This implies making a large incision in the side and removing the food. He had taken as much as a tub full from a large animal. This, however, should only be done by a skillful operator, and unless done soon the animal is likely to die from the ailment and operation. There is what is also called farrell bound or infraction of the third stomach. This is treated in the same way, but add from 8 to 10 drachms of aloes with the salt when giving. Always give ginger; it prevents griping. Being asked for a cure for milk fever, he said while it was called that, there was seldom any fever. The best thing to do was to use preventives. Keep food from such an animal; give physic to reduce the conditions. From fifty to ninety per cent. died with it. The best thing to do was to bleed well in its first stage, keep the animal warm; produce sweating and give laxatives.

Mr. Raynor being introduced, said he would speak on "Selection and cross-breeding of animals." The first principle is to procure animals that are most suited to your soil. Heavy animals do best on a deep, rich soil, and light animals on light land. Have a well defined object in view, consult your taste, for the man who is fond of fast horses is not likely to succeed well with cattle. Then surround them with their usual conditions. One would not think of removing trees from good rich soil and plant them on poor soil, and the same is true of animals. For the heavy breed select an animal with a broad forehead, wavy horns, a moderate short neck, prominent bosom, beautifully laid shoulder, capacious, short ribs, well sprung from back; straight above and beneath, thick loins and well filled up quarters; body all equally covered over with heavy flesh and plenty of soft hair and short legs.

Local Option Tax.

The idea of giving municipalities a greater latitude in the matter of taxation is being urged in various quarters, and has been carried into law in some Provinces of the Dominion, with good results.

The matter is being taken up in the Province of Ontario in an organized way. A form of petition has been prepared, asking the Ontario Government for Local Option in Taxation. A copy of this is being sent to every municipality, accompanied by a circular which sets forth reasons in favor of the petition. Following is an extract from the circular:

"We believe there is a strong feeling amongst the people that a man ought not to have taxes increased because he builds a house, or puts up a barn, or plants an orchard, or tries in other ways to add to the wealth and prosperity of the country. Whilst on the one hand those who improve their farms are rewarded by Government premiums, on the other hand they are punished by an increase of taxation."

"Let us profit by the experiences of other British subjects in this matter. The colony of New Zealand has within

the last few years greatly reduced taxation on buildings and on other improvements; and the result is that the colony is now very prosperous, having escaped the financial disasters which overtook its neighbors the colonies of Australia.

"The law of Manitoba expressly forbids the taxation of improvements on farms and gardens. The Manitoba farmers have found the benefit of this, and would not go back to the old system on any account. The only people who object are the land speculators."

"The ordinances of our North-west Territories also forbid the taxation of buildings, improvements or personal property, in any municipality that so decides."

"In British Columbia, all municipalities have the powers we are now asking for. They have the option of relieving improvements partly or wholly from taxation; and many municipalities have availed themselves of this power. So satisfactory has the measure proved to be, that the Legislature of British Columbia have gone further, and last year passed an act which prohibits all municipalities from assessing improvements at more than fifty cents on the dollar, whilst providing that the land must be assessed at its full value."

"We desire in conclusion to call your attention to the moderate character of the petition we are asking your Council to approve. It merely prays that municipalities may have the option of relieving improvements if they wish. Surely Ontario should have the liberty of trying a plan which has proved so successful elsewhere."

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Flour.....	\$ 35	0	\$ 35
Fall Wheat.....	65	1	65
Spring Wheat.....	50	0	50
Oats.....	30	0	30
Peas.....	50	0	50
Butter.....	18	0	18
Eggs, fresh.....	17	0	17
Potatoes bag.....	30	0	30
Pork.....	6	0	6
Hides.....	3	0	3
Specks.....	25	0	25
Geese.....	5	0	5
Turkeys.....	8	0	8
Chickens per pair.....	25	0	25
Ducks per pair.....	40	0	40
Wool.....	15	0	15

WE COMMENCE THIS WEEK our annual Winter Clearing Sale of Dry Goods, Clothing, Mantles and furs. Already we are receiving consignments of Spring goods and room must be made for them; our surplus of winter goods must go.

Our stock of OVERCOATS was large, and we have a good assortment still unsold. These we will offer on liberal terms of credit at discounted prices, with further discount for cash purchasers who can thus secure wholesale rates for single garments.

FURS. We have had a good season's trade for Furs and all that remains will be sold without respect to cost.

Men's Persian Lamb Caps, prices \$3.50, reduced to \$2.75.

Men's Persian Lamb Caps, No. 1, \$6.00, reduced to \$4.75.

Men's Persian Lamb Caps, extra, \$6.50, reduced to \$5.25.

Nutrid Imitation Beaver fur, \$4.50, red uce to \$3.50.

Nutrie Imitation Beaver fur, \$3.75 reduced to \$2.75.

Ladies' Fur Storm Collars, \$2.00, \$3.75, \$4.50 and \$5.25.

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Ladies' Fur Mantles, satin lined; \$22.00, \$25 00 and \$27.50.

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GREY FLANNELS at clearing prices, from 10 cts. per yard.

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Men's and Boy's Gum Rubber's and Socks. The assortment of sizes is somewhat broken, but we probably have just the size you want and at prices to clear, as we buy no more this season.

We have a full line of comfortable Felt Boots for old ladies, easy, durable and warm.

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GENTLEMEN, I desire to call your attention to my winter stock of Cutters, which will need no words of recommendation from me, as I will leave the public to judge for themselves. I have also on hand a stock of heavy sleighs, pleasure sleighs, market sleighs and skeleton sleighs. All I ask is a call, and judge for yourselves.

Thanking my many friends for their past favors, I remain, yours truly, R. T. WHITTEN.

Carriages and Wagons.

GENTLEMEN:

I DESIRE TO ANNOUNCE that I have taken over the Carriage and Wagon-making business lately carried on by Mr. Moore, and am now prepared to fill all orders in my line to your entire satisfaction. Having lately added to my sixteen years' experience in the business a nine months' training in one of the best carriage shops in the city of Detroit, where I succeeded in carrying off a first class recommendation, ought to be a sufficient guarantee that all work will be done in a first class manner. I manufacture Wagons, Buggies, Cutters, Sleighs; in fact everything in the carriage line. Wood and lumber taken in exchange. Kindly give me a call.

D. BLAIR, Flesherton.

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D. McTavish,

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Nov. 21. J. FENWICK.

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Nov. 21. F. T. Carr.

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The undersigned has a pure bred Poland China boar for service on lot 21, 18 con., Artemesia. Terms \$1. I have also young pure Yorkshires, Poland China and Suffolk pigs for sale.

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