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EXPERIMENTS IN CANADIAN PORK PRODUCTION.

Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

It is not altogether desirable that agriculture should be organized on the same lines as great manufacturing enterprises, but it is desirable above everything else that the best information available as applied to agriculture should be at the service of each individual farmer. It has appeared, also, desirable that he should receive encouragement and, where needful, the co-operation of governments, at the beginning of his organised co-operation with other farmers, with merchants and with transportation companies, for the improvements of products, the extension of markets, and the bettering of transportation. The Department of Agriculture is endeavoring to provide these forms of help; and this is one of the channels through which that assistance reaches the farmer, and a knowledge of the farmer's wants reaches those capable of supplying them.

Experiments in pork production were commenced at the Central Experimental Farm, at Ottawa in 1890, by Professor J. W. Robertson, who up to 1896 was agriculturist, the work was continued from 1896 to 1899 by Dr. W. Saunders, the Director of Experimental Farms in the Dominion; and for the balance of the decade was supervised by Mr. J. H. Grisdale, B. Agr., the present Agriculturist.

The breeds introduced in 1899 were Berkshires, Improved Large Yorkshires, and Essex. Since then Chester Whites, Poland-Chinas, and Tamworths have been secured, while the Essex has been discarded.

The result of the ten years' experiments has been to prove the Yorkshire-Tamworth cross to be the best fitted to suit the market today. The Yorkshire-Berkshire cross proved, however a growthy pig, and well fitted for general use. Where quick growth and early maturity are especially desired the Berkshire-Tamworth cross will fill the bill.

Where these breeds have been crossed with the Chester-white, the Poland-China, or the Essex, the get, in most cases has proved to be of a short blocky type. They have, on the whole, exhibited a strong tendency to lay on fat rather than develop muscular tissue.

The ten years' experiments in feeding indicate that it will not pay to cook feed for swine where economy of pork production is the sole consideration. There is a gradual increase in the quantity of feed consumed for every pound of grain in live weight after the average live weight exceeds 100 lbs.

The most economical time to slaughter swine is when they weigh from 175 to 200 pounds.

The greatest and most economical gains are made when the swine are able to eat the most food in proportion to their weight.

Frozen wheat may be used as a profitable food for swine. Skim-milk adds most materially to the value of a grain ration, and 100 pounds of mixed grains equal about 700 pounds of skim-milk. The relative value of skim-milk in any ration varies with the amount fed, the poorest returns per pound fed being obtained when the proportion of skim milk to the total food is the greatest.

The average dressed weight of swine is about 76.44 per cent. of the fasted weight.

When hard flesh is desired skim-milk is a most valuable addition to the grain ration. Feeding mixed moal (barley, poase, and oats) with milk will generally insure firm meat. The greatest gains from a given amount of grain have been shown when it is ground, as a part of grain fed whole gets frequently voided before being digested. Mixed grains are more economical than grains fed pure.

In one set of experiments in which ground grain was fed dry and compared with ground grain fed soaked, the data pointed to a slight loss from soaking meal. While this may not be the actual case it is probable that the result from soaking meal may not be so marked as from soaking whole grain.

(Continued next week.)

Varney.

Mr Robert Henry called on his sister Mrs Wm Clark on Sunday last.

Mr Alfred Vollett was the guest of Mr Wm Lauder one day last week.

Miss Tacy Gordon is visiting at her sister's Mrs R J Eden for a few days this week.

Mr and Mrs Chas Gadd were the guests of Mr and Mrs John Carson last week.

Miss Maggie McNeice called on Mrs John Carson on Monday last,

HOPEVILLE

May month has come and so has the fishing season. Fishing tackle is in demand here and already some nice stories have been told.

One of our townsmen went to Glenelg to fish and came home loaded with fish

Mr Walter Carr a Presbyterian student has been home here for nearly a month visiting his mother and friends.

The Rev Mr Campbell of Dromore occupied the pulpit here in the Esplin church on Sunday last. Rev Mr Broad was holding Communion in the new congregation lately organized at Kingscote.

Miss S Scarlett is home from the States.

Mr Peter McArthur of Priceville visited friends here last Sunday.

Dornoch.

Spring seeding is far advanced for the beginning of May. Some have finished and many more will this week. Fall wheat aud clover does not look very healthy.

Miss Maggie McKenzie of Mulock, spent Saturday and Sunday in the village, the guest of her sister Mrs (Dr) Smith.

Mr Fred Bray of Toronto, is renewing old associations around here of late. We regret to learn that Fred has spent a term in the hospital and still looks frail.

The W. F. M. S. meets today (Monday) in the church here and an address is expected from Mrs Rev Nelson of Desboro. These meetings are well attended.

On Thursday of last week a number of the neighbors of Mr R T Corlett who lately moved to the Cameron farm helped to plough nearly 14 acres. In the evening a much larger crowd turned out some of whom were not naturally adapted to the arduous task of spring work. However a very enjoyable time was spent.

After a lapse of 10 years spent in Arden Manitoba, Mr Dougald Morrison is once more viewing the scenes of his boyhood. His home coming this time is a very happy one as Mr Morrison and his winsome bride are on their honeymoon trip and intend to stay a couple of weeks with his brothers and sisters. We extend good wishes and congratulations.

A couple of weeks ago an official mandate went forth from the Post Office Department at Ottawa, that the Post Office at Welbeck was to be closed the next day, and not giving any reason for so doing, though there never had been a complaint on either the mail-carrier or postmistress. Whether there is any political significance in the fact we know not but if there is then the conduct of the government is disgraceful to say the least. Some attribute their actions to economy but a glance at the estimates of the House leaves this idea an absurd one. However the fact remains that over 20 families are deprived of their postal privileges and some of them have at present to go 5 miles for their mail and in busy seasons sometimes get their mail twice a month. In the present century and in a heavily taxed community this economic tactics is carrying the matter too far and the people so wronged will not be slow in showing their disapproval at the ballot-boxes in the next Dominion election.

Mr Donald McDonald of Durham made a few pleasant calls around here last week.

Mr Thos and Miss E Smith of Durham Sundayed very pleasantly here lately.

GLASCOTT

Fine spring weather. Some are through seeding but just a few. The early grain is looking fine so is fall wheat.

Mr Love and his men have finished veneering Chas Boyle's cottage and he is well pleased with his job. Any one wanting good work done would do well to see Mr Love.

A little plow boy came to Battz Wright's this week to help along the work. Battz thinks he is all right.

Dan and John Livingston have put up a fine new fence along the front of their farm. They are hustlers.

The wind storm of last week laid some of the fences low. Bill Moran thinks it is hard on a fellow to fence twice a year.

Candidate Binnie gave our burg a flying visit last week, Wonder if he took time to kiss the babies.

Moran Bros delivered a few head of cattle at Chatsworth on Wednesday and purchased a fine young Shorthorn bull. Nothing pays better than good stock.

Wm Bell our enterprising bachelor has disposed of three fine young horses at good prices and has invested in a lot of grass steers for which he will realize a good profit. We noticed in the Chronicle that he has secured a male cook. Would one of the fair sex not be better Will?

Chas Duncan visited our burg last Sabbath and droye a swift horse. So girls look out, there's room for two.

Whooping-cough is calling at every house so there is no more use of being scared.

The people of Townsend Lake organized a Christian Endeavor Society last Sabbath. We are pleased to see the young people take such an active part in the work.

Will Moran has engaged for the summer to build stone work with Ralph Purvis. Ralph knows where to get good men.

A genius has discovered a method of condensing and compressing whiskey, so that a man can carry a supply around with him in his vest pocket. The booze will be done up in the form of pellets, and when you need a bracer all you have to do is to dissolve one of the pills in your mouth and you have all the taste and—what is more important—all the effect of a good horn. Bring on your prohibition now any time.—Woodstock Express.

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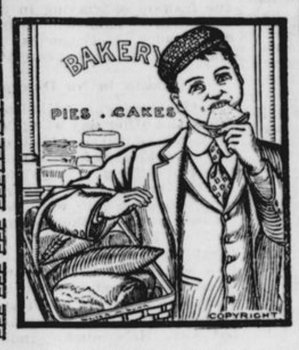

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