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(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

IN the field of Agricultural Co-operation in the Province of Ontario, the greatest advance during the year has been made in connection with the shipping of live stock. Five years ago there were practically no Live Stock Shipping Clubs. At the present time between three and four hundred separate organizations (including Farmers' Clubs) ship co-operatively. The majority of these ship to the Live Stock Branch of the United Farmers Co-operative Company, which handled about 30 per cent. of the stock going through the yards. Present indications point the possibility, within the next few years of the larger proportion of the live stock of Ontario being shipped co-operatively.

The second important development in the province is that in connection with Egg Marketing. The year previous to this there were about fifty active Egg Circles in the province marketing eggs and poultry, to the value of about \$120,000. The number of Circles has increased until there are now some sixty in operation, and Farmers' Clubs as well as Egg Circles are now taking up this important work. The most noticeable development is in the grouping of Circles in various districts for the purpose of establishing grading and grading stations, and already some three districts are so organized, each consisting of a dozen or more local circles. The United Farmers Co-operative Company has recently opened a department for eggs and poultry and this fact will doubtless have the same effect as in connection with Live Stock Shipping.

A development in connection with Co-operative Marketing is the movement on foot during the year to combine under one central company the manufacturing and marketing of the cheese from local cheese factories. This company has opened an auction market in Montreal with a successful and increasing business.

The co-operative marketing of wool was continued last year through the Ontario Sheep Breeders' Association as previously. The Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers' Limited marketed a total of about 4,900,000 pounds, and of this amount Ontario supplied 775,000 pounds. It is estimated that Ontario's total production is about 2,500,000 pounds annually. Thus, 31 per cent. of Ontario's wool was marketed co-operatively last year.

A large proportion of the co-operative work in the province is carried on through unincorporated local farmers' clubs, of which there are some twelve or thirteen hundred in the province. The great majority of these are affiliated with the United Farmers' Co-operative Company, which acts as a wholesale dealer for these clubs. The amount of business transacted by some of the clubs is remarkable. There are, of course, a number which do only part of the trading through the central company; the wholesale business, however, reported in the annual statement of the central company, amounted to \$18,500,000. This will no doubt show a substantial increase in the next statement, since the company has established a number of branch stores and additional separate departments at the head office.

With the increase of business and the consequent larger financial transactions an increasing number of clubs have become incorporated under the Co-operative Section of the Ontario Companies Act. During the year there have been eighty incorporations, either as share or non-share Co-operative Companies. Where the club has reached the stage when it feels that incorporation will be beneficial, usually its business is on a substantial basis and gives promise of being permanently successful. One such organization, for instance, handling live stock, feeds, grains and other commodities and buying supplies, is doing a business which averages \$1,000 a day.

There are other organizations in the province which do not actually carry on business, but whose work is one phase of co-operative endeavor. Such organizations are—Milk Producers' Associations, Grape Growers' Associations, Sugar Beet Growers' Association, Tobacco Growers' Association and others of like nature which endeavor to study market conditions and advise their members as to prices. In some cases the association confers directly with the grower as to the prices to be paid for the crop. Recent developments would indicate that out of these organizations may grow commercial co-operative companies of producers controlling the output of the members.

A great deal of preliminary work has been done by the Department during the year in connection with the production of pure seed, more particularly of potato seed in Northern Ontario. This work is leading to the organization of commercial seed centres.

The trend of Agricultural Co-operation in the province during the last year or so is more in the direction of Co-operative Marketing than previously. Farmers' Clubs are usually formed with the idea of combining the purchasing of supplies for its members, and this line of business is usually the first attempted by these clubs. The amount of Co-operative Marketing business during the last year has, however, exceeded the supply business in the province and justifies our opinion as to the relative importance to the farmer of the Co-operative Marketing of his products and buying of his supplies.—F. C. Hart, Co-operation and Markets Branch, Toronto.

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BRITAIN'S CROWN JEWELS.

Hun Air Men Very Nearly Destroyed Them.

How the crown jewels had a narrow escape when the Tower of London—their normal resting place—was bombed during an air raid, and how they were then removed for safe custody to Windsor Castle for the duration of the war, is among the many interesting stories Major-General Sir George Younghusband, keeper of the Jewel House at the Tower, tells in his book, "The Jewel House," just published.

In their first daylight air raid the Germans made a special target of the Tower. The first bomb just missed the west side, buried itself in the dry moat, and failed to explode. A second went further east and hit the Royal Mint; the third damaged the railing on the north of the Tower, and killed a couple of men; and the fourth, the nearest shave of all, fell into the river within a few yards of St. Thomas' Tower.

The total casualties, writes Sir George Younghusband, to the credit of this attack on the Tower were one pigeon, which probably had a weak heart and died of shell-shock, and one pane of window broken in the Jewel House.

But it was decided that the Crown Jewels must be removed to some safer spot. When this became known there were the usual wild rumors about their destination.

One inspired person mentioned that, from certain information which he had received, a castle in Cornwall had been secretly acquired, and that the jewels had been taken there by special train at dead of night. He added that in front of the jewel train were two other trains, full of troops, police, detectives, machine-guns, and what not.

Another very astute gentleman had secured the exclusive information that a deep and secret vault, lined throughout with concrete, had been excavated at Bath, and that the jewels were deposited there. The sole ground for this rumor rested on the undoubted fact that, eight months before, the keeper of the Jewel House had been at Bath, and there, by way of camouflage doubtless, had undergone a course of the waters.

Other rumors included a statement that the jewels were in Cumberland and that they had been sunk in the Thames opposite the Tower.

As a matter of fact, they were at Windsor Castle, and their removal was a very matter-of-fact affair.

A royal car drove into the Tower of London and up to the Jewel House. Into it more important and valuable portions of the regalia, already packed in their own cases, were handed. It was all a matter of a few minutes, and then the car drove away to Windsor Castle, and there deposited the jewels in a safe place.

Sir George has many interesting romances and stories to tell of these most famous jewels, from the official account of Col. Blood's plot—the only occasion on which they were burglariously removed—to the humors of latter-day visitors.

It has been, he says, a source of amusement to the wardens to watch known burglars—for admission to view the Crown Jewels is open to all his Majesty's subjects, not excluding burglars—with their faces fattened against the bars, thinking, thinking, thinking how possibly they could get hold of these priceless gems. One, indeed, with a deep resigned sigh, was heard to mutter, "Gor, blimey, it ain't to be done!"

Income of King's Sons.

Though the King's two younger children receive only such sums as his Majesty may allow them privately, the elder ones all have their own incomes, guaranteed by Parliament, says Pearson's.

At the time of the present King's accession the usual select committee was appointed to consider the question, and on its recommendations the amounts to be paid were adopted by the House of Commons.

For the Prince of Wales the revenues of the Duchy of Cornwall are set apart.

These amount to £200,000, but after deducting various charges, expenses of management the prince receives only about £80,000 to maintain the dignity of his position, and to meet the endless calls on his purse.

At the age of twenty-one each of the other princes comes into an annuity of £10,000, to be increased at marriage by another £5,000.

Princess Mary, however, like the other princesses of the royal house, receives considerably less than her brothers. Her annuity is £6,000, and this becomes payable when she is married, or at her twenty-first birthday. Other royal ladies receiving this amount are the three sisters and three daughters of the late King Edward.

Formerly the allowance was only half the present sum. One of George III's grandchildren, the late Grand Duchess Dowager of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, was the last recipient on the old scale.

A Mackerel Puzzle.

Why mackerel should swim in a tank from left to right, and never otherwise, is a problem which the intelligence of all members of the Sussex Fisheries committee has failed to solve. It is known as the great mackerel mystery. For more than thirty years Brighton aquarium has kept mackerel. When they persisted in trying to swim through the glass, to their grievous bodily harm. Presently an island was set up in the middle of their tank. Accidents at once ceased. And for twenty years and more the mackerel round that island, by day and by night, in season and out of season, and never once have they been observed to swim from right to left.

To stop "enormous importations" of Canadian wheat, Senator McCumber, Republican, North Dakota, announces that he will ask for a tariff of probably fifty cents a bushel on wheat.

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