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CONVENTION OF DAIRYMEN.

Proposal for Canada's Butter Makers to Meet at Ottawa.

And Organize a Dominion Dairyman's Association—The Fruit Interest Also to be Discussed—Agricultural M. P.'s to Give Their Assistance.

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LETTER NO. V.

OUR FRIENDS THE NEWSPAPER EDITORS, who have made heroic efforts to cram into their available space these letters (to the editorial eye, appalling in dimensions), deserve our greatest consideration, my reader. So I have bethought myself of the comfort of these good people, and I have anticipated a genuine satisfaction on their part in seeing this letter a short one for publication during the holidays. To this I am interjecting between regular letters, a special message to Canadian farmers, which it was vainly hoped would have been given ere this in regular order for publication of letters. This message has reference to the need of

A DOMINION DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

In letters to come the reader will see that one of the factors in the improvement of dairying abroad has been organization. A knowledge of the history of Canadian dairying will teach him that organization has been most effective here. Among the suggestions of needed action, which were the outcome of foreign investigations, there was none that pressed itself forward more forcibly than this need. Already we have excellent local or Provincial organization. We lack only general or Dominion organization. The main idea of organization is a combination of forces for

LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE WORK.

Such organization involves meetings of enterprising, active and representative men from all parts of the country, discussions of general questions, and such action as seems best to the assembled wisdom in the general interest. The most promising means of attaining these ends appeared to the writer to be

A DOMINION DAIRYMEN'S CONVENTION.

The place for holding such convention should be Ottawa; and the time, this winter during the coming session of Parliament. The members of Parliament, agriculturally inclined—and there are a good many such—would take an active interest in the meetings and their services would be availed of by their constituents to assist delegates or even to act as such.

The cordial approval by many prominent dairymen, in all parts of the Dominion, has made the proposed convention a practical certainty. The desire to make the work of months productive of practical results has led the writer to commit himself to the idea of such a convention, which means doing everything in his power to make it a success. It is not too much to ask of Canadian dairymen that each one of them do his part towards making the success hoped for, and the writer has abundant faith in a hearty response to the opportunity here presented to perhaps give the dairy industry a great impetus.

I made an effort to secure the co-operation of the fruit industry in the proposed convention, which has resulted in a suggestion that one day, at least, be set apart for the consideration and discussion of such questions as will equally serve the fruit interest, say the questions of marketing; cold storage, transportation, etc.

THE QUESTIONS TO BE DISCUSSED

would naturally be of a general rather than of a local character, such as markets, marketing, packing, packages, storage, refrigeration, transportation, inspection, grading, butter v. cheese, co-operation, various systems of co-operation, educational work, dairy schools, technical aspects, etc., etc.

It is to be hoped that anyone interested and possessed of valuable ideas in this connection will be prepared to offer them; not necessarily in a long paper, but rather written or spoken in sharp, crisp form, and to the point.

While abroad I made a few purchases which promised to possess for such an occasion

a certain interest, and perhaps value, all of which will be freely placed at the use of the convention; notably, in this collection a milk-testing apparatus, which I found in successful use in the Copenhagen Milk Supply establishment, and only there. There are many dairymen

WHO MAY CONTRIBUTE SOMETHING

in this way to the needs and usefulness of such a convention. Even the contributions of manufacturers and dealers would be of value; and these would serve their own interests, legitimately, in offering anything in their respective lines.

Were it earlier in the season, I would further propose that butter-makers in different parts of the country send in samples of their product, especially where these samples could be accompanied with full particulars of their manufacture. These products would serve several important purposes. They would indicate what are the various methods adopted throughout the Dominion in butter making. They would be put, as prepared, to the test of transportation, comparison and valuation. They would afford contrast of the different methods in vogue, and, by bringing into view the best, would afford suggestion of what might be adopted more generally. They would afford object lessons for the convention, of greatest possible value. These samples, also, would afford immediate means of carrying out certain experimental work in transportation abroad and marketing. It is possible that there may be available some few samples of this character, but the suggestion must not be lost sight of in future years.

Low railway fares will be secured, and if possible reduced hotel fares; all to be duly announced.

It goes without saying that in an effort of this kind, any attempt to bring about so very desirable an organization should be seconded by every well wisher of agriculture. Let us hope that many valuable suggestions will be offered, either through the press or by private correspondence. I also hope that the various subjects which shall be brought forward in this series of letters will evoke thorough discussion, and so bring out much valuable truth.

Wishing readers the fullest joys of this happiest season, and future prosperity in their noble calling.

W. H. LYNCH.

Danville, Que., December, 22, 1888.

All-wool Plain and Twilled Grey Flannel, extra quality, only 20 cents per yard, at R. B. Belyea & Co.'s.

Upper Woodstock Items.

The Xmas season has not passed unobserved in this village by any means. Our storekeepers have done a thriving business. Mr. G. B. Welhaupter, our obliging P. M., had a well selected stock expressly for the holiday trade, and from the amount disposed of, it is clearly evident many of the children round about were gladdened on Xmas morning by the generous donations left them by St. Nick. Mr. D. J. Holder made a specialty of standard family groceries, and from the bundles and barrels and boxes of the many needful things for comfortable homes supplied to his customers, the inference is that the supply was well suited to the demand. To aid him in the grocery business Mr. Holder has recently engaged his nephew, Mr. Charles Fowler. At G. R. Ketohum's place of business there was a rushing trade in hay and oats. On Monday delivery was taken of 125 tons of hay, and oats in proportion.

Our meat men, Messrs. A. R. Gans and R. K. Britton, had to attend to a multiplicity of orders in their lines. Unfortunately Mr. Britton has been quite ill lately, and could not do full justice to his business. Mrs. Britton has also been severely afflicted with neuralgia and rheumatism lately, but is recovering now.

The schools closed Friday, the closing exercises coming off in the forenoon. The pupils of both schools assembled in one room gave evidence of their proficiency in reading, writing, reciting, geometry and natural science. The exercises in the latter were illustrated from time to time by a number of interesting experiments, some of which the pupils themselves performed. The pupils in both departments were given a little treat before separating for the holidays.

The children have been quite seriously attacked with scarlet fever and mumps recently. Some of the adults had a severe attack of the latter, and in more than one case fears were entertained that the patients might not recover.

In the account given of the drama in my last, the name of Miss Hutchinson was inadvertently

given for Miss Shaw, who cleverly delineated the character of Miss Wayne. In this connection it might be remarked that Jubilee Division will present before long the sterling temperance play, "Ten Nights in a Bar-room."

A full line of Men's Persian Lamb, Seal and Dog Skin Caps, just to hand at Hugh Hay's.

Florenceville Items.

Dec. 27th, 1888.

Preaching in the Baptist church at the Hartley District this week, Friday evening, Dec. 28th; Rev. Mr. Hayward.

Preaching in the Methodist church next Lord's Day at 8 p. m.; Rev. Mr. Bellar.

Born, a little son, to Mr. and Mrs. John R. Tompkins, Dec. 22nd.

Capt. Hartley is ill. Mrs. D. L. Pitt is on the sick list. Miss Charity Bridges of Gordonsville is the guest of Mr. D. L. Pitt. The Misses Alexandria from Blaine, Maine, were in the village this week, calling on their friends, N. H. Tompkins' family. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Phillips of Lowell, Mass., are the guests of Mr. Henry Taylor. Mrs. Helen Gray from Mattawamkeag, Maine, is visiting at her father's, Mr. Taylor; also Mr. Hedley Taylor is at home for the holidays. Miss Ina Semple has returned home from her school. Mr. Hagerman Semple is at home. Mr. George Semple was out for a drive on Christmas day; he is an invalid and a great sufferer. We were pleased that he had the ability to be out on the streets once more. Mr. J. W. Lawrence left for his home in Dumfries, last Friday evening, intending to remain during vacation. Miss Helen Taylor has been abroad from home for a week, returning for Christmas. Miss Lona Poitras has gone home to Grand Fall to spend Christmas and New Year's.

CHRISTMAS.—The entertainment in the Baptist church at the Hartley District last Monday evening, passed off very pleasantly. The temperance children were arrayed in their badges, and the recitations were well chosen and delivered nicely; the vocal and instrumental music was well rendered. The tree was laden to overflowing with Christmas presents. Santa Claus came in all his glory to the delight of the little ones, making the house ring with their sweet voices. Many thanks were voted to Mr. and Mrs. Hartley for this temperance work they are accomplishing. Long may they live to work for our Master's cause.

We had the pleasure of visiting Mr. J. W. Lawrence's school in East Florenceville last Friday, and were highly gratified with the way the scholars passed their examination. Mr. Lawrence is a competent teacher, his discipline seeming to be perfect.

A number of families entertained guests on Christmas day. At H. B. Taylor's there were nearly fifty people present. There are numerous visitors in town, whose names we have not learned.

Coon, Goat, Bear and Spanish Lamb Coats, at the "Ghost" of former prices, at Hugh Hay's.

Four Falls Items.

Four Falls, Victoria Co., Dec. 24, 1888.

Hiram Stevens & Co., of Fort Fairfield, have erected a fine grist mill in this place. The building is 35x50 feet; story and a half high, with the running gear in the basement. The power is 120h., 20 feet head, and is driven by 6 small 30 inch centre vent wheels. The inventor, Joseph Withey, claims that this is preferable in every way to the usual arrangement. When finished their will be 5 runs of stone; 3 wheat, 1 buckwheat, 1 feed and 1 Eureka wheat cleanser. Stevens & Co. propose to ship wheat and corn to be manufactured here, which will be a great advantage to the people.

A first-class chance here for the right parties, for a cloth factory and furniture and repair shop. There is unrivalled water power with exemption from taxes by the County Council.

The attention of Mr. Haines, bridge inspector, is directed to the dangerous state of the bridge over the Aroostook river; it is positively unsafe for a single team to cross.

L. C. Whittier is putting up a hall and store; Alfred Grant attends to the blacksmith work; C. Cheney is carrying on a lumber operation in Tilley; F. A. Tower has raised 1000 bushels of oats and 400 bushels of potatoes; and the Four Falls house looks after the physical needs of man and beast.

SAM JANES.

Tobique River Items.

Dec. 17th, 1888.

Measles have been all the go up this way for the last five weeks. Now it is rumored that diphtheria is abroad too. Between the two diseases, M. D.'s will be kept quite busy.

If the rumor about diphtheria should prove

true, our local Board of Health had better be more prompt in trying to confine it than they were last year. True, it did not spread much, but no effort was made by the Board to prevent a spread.

A young man, Wm. Bell, was found dead in the woods on Sisson Ridge. A coronor's inquest was held, and the jury brought in a verdict of "death from hunger and exposure." The body was interred by the overseers of poor of Lorne.

The river closed here on the 9th inst. The crossing is now good as could be wished.

Snow fell very heavily on Tuesday night and Wednesday morning of last week. About 9 inches is the average depth in this vicinity.

Arthurette Lodge has expired. There were several causes leading to this result, the chief of which was the negligence of the members. The novelty wore off, and members began to drop out, until there were not enough left to run the Lodge constitutionally. Send along the Sons of Temperance, the W. C. T. U., something or anything that will keep the matter continually before the eyes of the people and, perhaps, eventually, rouse them from their lethargy in Temperance matters.

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Pointed Fox Muffs and Boas, something very stylish, just opened at R. B. Belyea & Co.'s.

Jacksonville Items.

Dec. 24th, 1888.

AT THE CHURCHES.—The Episcopal Church has been beautifully greened for the Christmas season. The members have been diligently working the past week, and the appearance of the church fully rewards them for their efforts. Around the church are distributed several mottoes, "Glory be to God in the highest," being one of them.

At the close of the Baptist S. S., yesterday afternoon, Mr. Joseph McCready was presented with a handsome Bible by his class of young men. The presentation was made by Randolph Fenwick and responded to by Mr. McCready.

On the evening of the 21st inst., the members of the Baptist Church met at the parsonage and presented their pastor, Rev. S. J. Aroibald, with money and other articles to the amount of \$50. A sumptuous supper was spread by the ladies and a pleasant evening was spent.

Yesterday morning, Grosvenor E. Titus was presented with a volume of "Songs of Joy and Gladness," with supplement, by the members of the Reformed Baptist S. S., as a token of their appreciation of his services as organist. At the same session, Miss M. A. Burpee was presented with a beautiful reference Bible by her class of young men.

SCHOOLS.—Our day schools closed Friday for a two weeks vacation. At the commencement of the new term, Mr. C. Nesles takes charge of the advanced department, and Miss M. A. Burpee of the primary.

PERSONAL.—A. A. Harper, of Minneapolis, is visiting his old home in this place. Frank A. Good, who has been teaching school at Edmundston, is spending his vacation at home. Misses Emma Simonson and Annie Harding are at home from Normal School for a few days. Miss Eva Harding, who has been in Lynn, Mass. the past two years, is visiting her parents of this place. Miss E. P. Mitchell, of St. John, is visiting friends here.

Windsor Items.

Dec. 24th, 1888.

Winter at last has come with heavy snow, high winds, and cold frosty weather. We have now about 20 inches of snow in the woods; plenty for lumber operations.

Some of our people that went to the western states some time ago, have returned satisfied there is no place like home.

Mr. W. S. Henderson who moved to Lewiston, Me., last fall, has been here for a few days attending to some business; while here he bought a lot of poultry to take with him on his return.

The correspondent from Windsor in your last issue was in error in speaking of the revival meetings held by Rev. A. H. Hayward in giving the number baptized, also the number that joined the church. There were 26 baptized and 25 joined the church.

Rev. J. W. Price and wife from Moro, Me., have been spending a few days here. The Rev. gentleman preached to us on Sunday, 28rd inst., a very instructive, practical discourse on Christian progress, walk, character and life, from Col. 2: 6, As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him.

It is Christmas eve again; we can almost hear the prancing of old Santa Claus' reindeer and the ringing of the Christmas bells, and we wish the readers of the SENTINEL all a Merry Christmas.