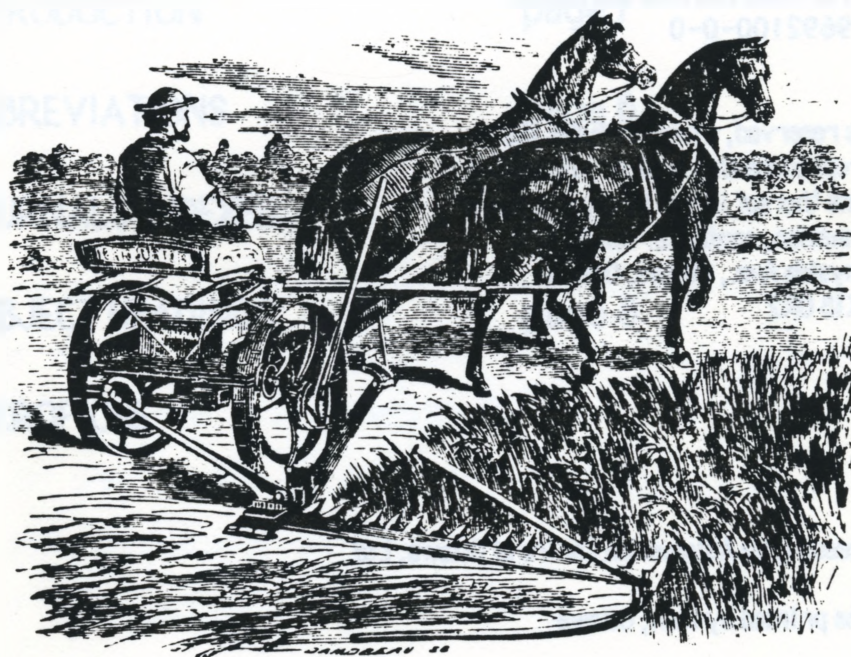


**ONTARIO RURAL SOCIETY 1867 - 1930**  
**A THEMATIC INDEX OF SELECTED**  
**ONTARIO AGRICULTURAL PERIODICALS**



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## INTRODUCTION

From 1867 to 1930, Ontario rural society underwent profound changes as it emerged from the pioneer era into the machine age, while still retaining its rural orientations. Some might argue that this was a transitional period, an era when Ontario farming was evolving from a way of life, into a business venture. The general-topic agricultural periodicals published in Ontario between 1867 and 1930 chronicled the changes.

These periodicals were designed to appeal to a wide rural audience ("something for everyone in the family"), and as such are a rich source for the investigation of this era. The publications detailed the rise of many agricultural industries such as dairying and livestock production and breeding; the interest in and later implementation of scientific farming techniques; the increased awareness of the power of marketing; the growing participation in political and agricultural organizations; and the influence of the Ontario Agricultural College in nearly every facet of rural life. The technological, political and economic components of rural society were examined as well as the stresses in the community: industrialization, mechanization, encroaching urbanization, World War I, rural depopulation and absence of farm labour. The publications also explored contemporary movements in rural education, beautification, recreation and values, as well as advances in communications, the changing role of rural women, the country church, the agricultural press, and the personalities behind these events and movements.

The ten Ontario periodicals covered in this index (see page 6 for list) were chosen because they originally appealed to a wide audience of rural readers and thus providing a broad spectrum of rural topics. for researchers

today. Specialized technical journals (such as Clydesdale Quarterly or the Canadian Poultry Journal) were not included in the index because of their narrower scope -- in them we learn too much of the inner workings of the chicken or the cow and too little of Ontario rural society.

Although these periodicals were meant for a general audience, they did differ in emphasis. For example, the five journals which comprised the Farm and Dairy series were heavily weighted towards the dairy industry. Farmer's Magazine (Maclean Publishing Co.) was a bit slicker, full of "think pieces" on the economic condition of rural Ontario, the impact of hydro development, and a greater emphasis on fiction and poetry by contemporary authors and poets. Rural Canada was more political than the others, almost appearing left of centre when compared with the staid pages of The Farmer's Advocate or The Canadian Countryman. These two periodicals, with the addition of the pre-1900 Canada Farmer and Ontario Farmer, were the most general of the group and did not highlight one aspect of Ontario agriculture to the detriment of any other aspects. The Agricultural Gazette of Canada was published by the Canada Department of Agriculture under a provision of the Agricultural Instruction Act. This act was introduced to promote agricultural instruction in extension work as well as in the nation's primary and secondary schools. The Gazette was designed to be a forum for provincial and federal spokespersons to report on the work accomplished, to share ideas, and to promote further agricultural education. The Ontario Agricultural College Review, run by an editorial board of students, reflected the College's leadership in the many phases of Canadian agriculture. However, the Review not only reported the latest agricultural and horticultural studies at the OAC and elsewhere, it also featured items on OAC life -- from the debating club to Macdonald Hall.

Often the format of these periodicals consisted of the major topics first (livestock, economics, the feature article of the issue, etc.), followed by news about implements, editorials, proceedings of agricultural society meetings, information on household items, fiction, clothing features, children's columns, speciality departments (such as veterinary or investment), question and answer departments, weekly market quotations, and advertisements. Many of the pre-1910 issues were composed of massive reprints from a wide selection of Canadian, British and American journals, articles and editorials written by the editor, and letters from Ontario farmers offering opinions on every conceivable subject. Often small controversies would be fermented through subscribers' letters. Issue after issue, farmers might argue over the most economical and productive orchard cover crops, or whether bachelors should pay more tax than married men. There was a distinct sense in all the publications of a need and desire to help farmers interpret and utilize the new developments in their profession, and to aid the rural community during this period of adjustment. This index is organized to facilitate access into these diverse topics.

#### **How to use the index**

The index is organized into two main sections: the subject index and the author index. The subject index is divided into three parts: The Land, The People, and Organizations and Institutions. The entries are listed under each subject category in chronological order. Some article titles may have been shortened by the limitation of the computer character fields. Each entry consists of title, author, and publishing data. Please refer to the subject headings (see page 7 for list) to facilitate finding locations of subjects on

the microfiche.

In the alphabetical author index each entry is complete, that is, the title and publishing data are also included. It is to be noted that names appear as originally printed in the journals, thus the same individual may have written under various names, such as Doe, John W, or Doe, JW, or JWD, or even a pseudonym. The subject index and the author index are each on differently colour-headed microfiches.

#### **Exclusions**

The items excluded were those focussed outside Ontario, reprints from other journals and articles too short to be informative: for example, household hints, recipes, clothes patterns, children's pages, question-and-answer columns, and advertisements. Their inclusion would have added thousands of entries to this already large index without adding much usable information. When the subject matter warranted it, articles were listed under more than one heading.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

- + this symbol denotes that the article continues beyond the noted page
- \* this symbol denotes that the title is a repeated department in the periodical noted
- (serial) this denotes that the title appears over many months in the periodical

J	January	Ju	July
F	February	Ag	August
Mr	March	S	September
Ap	April	O	October
Ma	May	N	November
Je	June	D	December

### JOURNAL ABBREVIATIONS

AGC	Agricultural Gazette of Canada, 1914-1924
CF	Canada Farmer, 1864-1876
CC	Canadian Countryman, 1912-1930+
	<u>Farm and Dairy</u>
F	Farming, 1895-April 1900
FWCF	The Farming World and the Canadian Farm and Home, 1903-07
FW	The Farming World, 1900-1902
CD	The Canadian Dairyman and the Farming World, 1908
FD	Farm and Dairy and Rural Home, 1909-1930+

- FA The Farmer's Advocate, 1866-1930+  
Farmer's Magazine
- CAF Canadian Farm, 1909-1919
- CAFA Canadian Farmer, 1920
- CFDS Canadian Farmer, Dairyman and Stockbreeder, 1921-1925
- OFA Ontario Farmer, 1925-1930+
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- FMM Farmers' Magazine, Maclean Publishing Co., 1910-1922
- OF Ontario Farmer, 1869-1871
- RC Rural Canada, 1917-1920
- OAC O.A.C. Review and Alumni News, 1889-1930+

Please note: The major repositories of substantial holdings of the indexed periodicals are: University of Guelph Library; University of Western Ontario Library; Agriculture Canada, Main Library; and the National Library.

Issues unavailable for indexing: Canadian Countryman, 1912 (entire year), Feb. 28, 1920; Farmer's Advocate, 1866 (entire year), Jan. 1, 1902, May 15, 1902, Jan. 5, 1905; Canadian Farm, Oct. 28, 1920; Canadian Farmer, Dairyman and Stockbreeder, April 8, 1922, May 13, 1922; Farmer's Magazine, Maclean Publishing Co., Dec. 1910, Feb. 1911, May 1913, Sept. 1914; O.A.C. Review and Alumni News, Jan.-May 1898, Oct. 1902, June 1906.

## SUBJECT HEADINGS

### LAND

#### Architecture

- No specific structure
- Barns
- Corn cribs/houses
- Granaries
- Greenhouses/glass houses
- Houses
- Dairy houses
- Ice houses
- Poultry houses
- Piggeries
- Schoolhouses
- Silos
- Stables
- Storage houses
- Other

(Under each main category)

general/overview

designs and plans

elements

    cement/concrete

    lightning rods

    paint

    other

other

## Branches of Agriculture

### General agricultural development

- general/overview
- localities
- reminiscences
- other

### Bee-keeping

- general/overview
- bees
- equipment/techniques
- exhibits
- health
- inspection
- laws
- localities
- marketing
- products
  - beeswax
  - honey
  - other
- storage
- winter care
- other

### Crops--general

#### Crops--cereal

- no specific crop
- barley
- buckwheat
- corn--field
- millet
- oats
- rye
- wheat
- other

#### Crops--other

- no specific crop

- alfalfa
- clover
- flax
- ginseng
- grasses
- hay
- hops
- peas--field
- rape
- sainfoin
- sorghum
- timothy
- tobacco
- other

( Under each main category)

- general/overview
- breeding
- competition/exhibitions
- equipment/techniques
- grading
- handling
- laws
- localities
- marketing
- products
- storage
- varieties
- other

Dairying

- No specific aspect
- general/overview
- breeding
- competitions/exhibitions
- equipment/techniques
- health
- management
- judging
- laws

- localities
- marketing
- prize animals
- products
  - butter
  - cheese
  - cream
  - milk
  - other
- record books
- winter dairying
- other

- ( under each product )
  - general/overview
  - competitions/exhibitions
  - equipment/techniques
  - grading
  - handling
  - laws
  - localities
  - marketing
  - products
  - storage
  - varieties
  - other

- Dairy cattle
  - no specific breed
  - Ayrshire
  - French-Canadian
  - Guernsey
  - Holstein-Friesian
  - Jersey
  - Shorthorn/Durham
  - Other

- (under each breed)
  - general/overview

- breeding
- competitions/exhibitions
- equipment/techniques
- health
- herd management
- judging
- laws
- localities
- marketing
- prize animals
- products
  - butter
  - cheese
  - cream
  - milk
  - other
- record books/testing
- varieties
- winter care
- other

Fruit growing

- no specific variety
- apples
- blackberries
- cherries
- cranberries
- currants
- gooseberries
- grapes
- peaches
- pears
- plums
- raspberries
- strawberries
- other

(under each fruit)  
 general/overview

- breeding
- competitions/exhibitions
- diseases and pests
- equipment/techniques
- grading
- grafting
- handling
- laws
- localities
- marketing
- orchard management
- products
- pruning
- spraying
- storage
- varieties
- other

#### Livestock

##### General livestock

- No specific breed
- breeding
- competitions/exhibitions
- equipment/techniques
- health
- herd management
- judging
- laws
- localities
- marketing
- prize animals
- products
- record books
- winter care
- other



## Beef cattle

No specific breed

Angus

Devon

Galloway

Hereford

Shorthorn/Durham

(under each breed)

general/overview

breeding

competitions/exhibitions

equipment/techniques

health

herd management

judging

laws

localities

marketing

prize animals

products

meat

other

record books

winter care

other

## Chickens

no specific breed

Buff Cochin China

Chittagong

Hamburg

Leghorn

Plymouth Rock

Poland/Topknot

Royal Shanghai

Shanghai

White Plymouth Rock

Wyandotte

Other

- (under each breed)
- general/overview
- breeding
- competitions/exhibitions
- equipment/techniques
- flock management
- health
- judging
- laws
- localities
- marketing
- prize birds
- products
  - eggs
  - meat
- record books
- winter care
- other

Ducks

- No specific breed
- Aylesbury
- Muscovy
- Poland
- Rouen
- Domesticated wild ducks
- Other

- (under each breed)
- general/overview
- breeding
- equipment/ techniques
- flock management
- health
- marketing
- winter care
- other

Geese

- No specific breed
- Domesticated wild geese
- Other

- (under each breed)
- general/overview
- equipment/techniques
- flock management
- health
- marketing
- prize birds
- products
  - eggs
- winter care
- other

Goats

- No specific breed
- Other

- (under each heading)
- general/overview
- breeding
- competitions/exhibitions
- equipment/techniques
- health
- herd management
- judging
- products
  - milk

Horses

- No specific breed
- Black Hawk
- Cleveland Bay
- Clydesdale
- Conestoga
- Hackney
- Morgan

Percheron  
Shire  
Other

(under each breed)  
general/overview  
breeding  
competitions/exhibitions  
equipment/techniques  
health  
herd management  
judging  
laws  
localities  
marketing  
prize animals  
record books  
winter care  
other

Sheep

No specific breed  
Cheviot  
Cotswold  
Leicester  
Lincoln  
Merino  
Oxford Down  
Saxon  
Shropshire  
Southdown  
Suffolk Down  
Other

(under each breed)  
general/overview  
breeding  
competitions/exhibitions  
equipment/techniques  
health  
herd management

- judging
- laws
- localities
- marketing
- prize animals
- products
  - meat
  - wool
  - other
- record books
- sheep vs. dogs
- winter care
- other

Swine

- No specific breed
- Berkshire
- Chester White
- Duroc
- Essex
- Poland-China
- Shropshire
- Suffolk
- Yorkshire
- Other

- (under each breed)
- general/overview
- breeding
- competitions/exhibitions
- equipment/techniques
- health
- herd management
- judging
- laws
- localities
- marketing
- prize animals
- products
  - bacon

other meat  
 other  
 record books  
 winter care  
 other

### Turkeys

No specific breed  
 Mammoth White  
 Bronze  
 Domesticated wild turkeys  
 Other

(under each breed)  
 general/overview  
 breeding  
 competitions/exhibitions  
 equipment/techniques  
 flock management  
 health  
 localities  
 marketing  
 prize birds  
 other

### Oxen

No specific breed

(under each category)  
 general/overview  
 breeding  
 competitions/exhibitions  
 equipment/techniques  
 herd management

### Other livestock

No specific breed  
 general/overview  
 breeding  
 competitions/exhibitions

- equipment/techniques
- health
- herd management
- prize animals

#### Mixed farming

- general/overview
- advantages
- breeding
- equipment/techniques
- localities
- products
- other

#### Market gardening

- general/overview
- competitions/exhibitions
- equipment/techniques
- layout
- laws
- localities
- marketing
- products
  - beans
  - beets
  - cabbage
  - carrots
  - celery, celeriac, chard
  - corn--sweet
  - cucumber
  - eggplant
  - herbs
  - kohlrabi
  - lettuce
  - mangles, parsnips, rutabaga, turnips
  - melon
  - onions
  - peas
  - potatoes
  - pumpkins

- radish
- rhurbarb
- squash
- tomatoes
- other

- storage
- other

## Forestry

- General/overview
- Deforestation/reforestation
  - general/overview
  - erosion
  - other

- Lumbering
  - general/overview
  - equipment/techniques
  - forest management
  - localities
  - products
  - shanties
  - other

- Shelter belts/windbreaks
  - benefits
  - construction
  - layout
  - other

- Wood lots
  - general/overview
  - localities
  - management
  - products
  - other

- Other



**Landscaping**

General/overview

Domestic

general/overview

layout

materials

general

flowers/bulbs

shrubs/vines

trees

other

other

Fencing

general/overview

types/styles

other

Highway beautification

general/overview

laws

road building

other

Rural beautification

general/overview

Arbor Day

other

School grounds improvement

general/overview

Arbor Day

government programs

schools of note

other

## Sugar bush

- General/overview
- Competitions/exhibitions
- Equipment/techniques
- Grading
- Handling
- Laws
- Localities
- Marketing
- Products
- Storage
- Other

## Technology

- General/overview

### Agricultural implements and tools

- general/overview
- general/overview
- localities
- maintenance/repair
- other

- cultivating/tilling
  - general/overview
  - cultivators
  - discs
  - harrows
  - plows
  - rollers
  - spreaders
  - other

- sowing
  - general/overview
  - seeders/drills
  - other

- harvesting
  - general/overview
  - balers

- binders
- combines
- harvesters
- mills
- mowers
- reapers
- separators
- threshers
- other
- storing
  - general/overview
  - lifters
  - loaders
  - silos
  - other
- small tools
  - forks
  - hoes
  - other
- tractors
- other
- Farming techniques
  - General/overview
  - Crop rotation
  - Cultivating
  - Drainage/Irrigation
  - Harvesting
  - Sowing
  - Storing
  - Theory/Opinion
  - Tilling
  - Other
- Plant breeding
  - Agricultural
    - general/overview
    - equipment/techniques
    - breeders

**Horticultural**

- general/overview
- equipment/techniques
- localities
- breeders

**Scientific agriculture**

- General/overview

**Fertilizers**

- general/overview
- equipment/techniques
- types
  - chemical/artificial
  - organic
  - other

**Pest control/Disease prevention**

- general/overview
- equipment/techniques
- laws
- varieties
- other

**Soils**

- general/overview
- management
- types
- other

**Weed control**

- general/overview
- equipment/techniques
- laws
- varieties
- other

**Provincial Farms/Experimental Stations**

- General/overview
- Experimental farms/stations
- Industrial farm system
- Provincial farms
- Other

Sources of power

General/overview

Animal

Electrical

Gas

Machine

Water

Wind

Other

Veterinary science

General/overview

Animal health

Breeding

Other

Water and sewage systems

General/overview

Cisterns

Drinking water

Indoor plumbing

Outhouses

Sanitation/purification

Septic tanks

Sewage disposal

Wells disposal

Other

Other

Other

## PEOPLE

### Children

- General/overview
- Attitude towards
- Amusements
- Health
- Labour
- Other

### Demographic data

- General/overview
- Birth
- Marriage
- Death
- Other

### People of note

- General/overview
- Community workers
- Educators
- Farmers and horticulturists
- Government officials
- Homemakers
- Journalists
- Suffragettes
- Other

### Recreation

- General/overview
- Community clubs
- Community events
  - apple paring parties
  - auctions
  - barn raisings
  - harvesting and threshing bees
  - logging bees
  - plowing matches
  - other

### Holidays

Home entertainment  
Horse racing  
Other

## Rural issues

General/overview  
Farm labour  
    pre-World War I  
    World War I  
    post-World War I  
    other

Crime

Daylight savings time

Immigration and emigration  
    pre-1914  
        general/overview  
        problems  
        Americans  
        British  
        Canadians  
    post-1914  
        general/overview  
        problems  
        British  
        other

Isolation  
    general/overview  
    remedies

Rural beliefs  
    general/overview  
    agrarian myth  
    country vs. city  
    other

**The rural problem**

- general/overview
- depopulation--to cities
  - general/overview
  - industrialization
  - city lights
  - remedies
  - other
- depopulation--to West
  - causes
  - other

**Conservation****Land speculation****Superstitions****Taxation****World War I**

- general/overview
- conscription
- greater production campaigns
- veterans
- other

**Other****Women's issues**

- General/overview
- Domestic technology
- Education
- Political issues
- Role/occupation
- Suffrage movement
- Women's role in World War I
- Other



## ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

### Associations

#### General/overview

#### Agricultural

- Agricultural and Arts Association
- Beekeepers's Association
- Eastern and Western Dairymen's Association
- Eastern Ontario Poultry and Fat Stock
- Entomological Association
- Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union
- Ontario Corn Growers' Association
- Ontario Creameries Association
- Ontario Fruit Growers' Association
- Ontario Horse Breeders' Association
- Ontario Poultry Association
- Sheep Breeders' Association
- Swine Breeders' Association
- Other

#### General

- General/overview
- Agricultural societies
- Boys' and Girls' Clubs
- Farmers' Clubs
- Junior Farmers' clubs
- Farmers' Institutes
- Women's Institutes
- Other

#### Political

- General/overview
- Farmers' Association of Ontario
- The Grange/Patrons of Husbandry
- Order of the Patrons of Industry

United Farmers of Ontario  
United Farm Women of Ontario  
Other

Other

## Communication systems

General/overview

Communications facilities

general/overview

mail

radio

roads

general/overview

statute labour

other

telephone

other

Land transport

general/overview

automobile/truck

railway

roads

other

Media

general/overview

Literature

essay

humour

novel

poetry

short story

other

Provincial government publications

Periodicals

Other

## Economic institutions

General/overview

Banks

- credit
- mortgages
- other

Co-operatives

- general/overview
- history
- impact
- laws
- membership/participation
- pools
- principles/theory
- types

Farm management

- general/overview
- bookkeeping
- rental
- other

Insurance/investment

Labour market

Markets

- general/overview
- domestic
- international

Railway freight rates

Rural industry

- general/overview
- attitude toward
- blacksmith
- cabinet maker
- cheese factories/creameries
- country traders/peddlers/agents
- mills
- other

Trade and tariffs

## Education

General/overview

Agricultural education programs

- general/overview
- children
- extension work
  - general/overview
  - District representatives
  - primary
  - secondary
  - other

Curriculum reform

- general/overview
- secondary
- other

Nature Study

- general/overview
- primary
- other

Ontario Agricultural College

- general/overview
- history
- progrms

- public reaction
- staff
- other

- Ontario Veterinary College
  - general/overview
  - history
  - programs

- Provincial agricultural schools
  - general/overview
  - programs
  - public reaction
  - staff
  - other

- The rural school
  - general/overview
  - problems
  - support
  - other

- Rural school teacher
  - general/overview
  - attitude towards
    - primary
      - problems
      - training
    - secondary
      - training
  - other

- School fairs
  - general/overview
  - primary
  - other

- School gardens
  - general/overview
  - programs
  - primary

- general/overview
- home gardens
- school gardens
- secondary
- school gardens
- other

- School consolidation
- general/overview
- benefits
- opposition
- programs
- primary

- Vocational schools/programs
- general/overview
- primary
- secondary

Other

## **Agricultural Instruction Act**

- General/overview
- Annual allocations (Ontario)
- Funding
- Progress
- Program

Other

## **Fairs/Exhibitions/Competitions**

- General/overview
- Agricultural fairs
  - general/overview
  - The Canadian National Exhibition
  - The Central Canada Exhibition

- The Provincial Exhibition
- The Royal Winter Fair
- The Western Fair
- Other
- Competitions
- Horticultural exhibitions
- Other

## Political Institutions

- General/overview

- Agricultural legislation
  - general/overview
  - pre-1914
  - post-1914

- Commissions and Committees of Inquiry

- Department of Agriculture
  - general/overview
  - programs
  - staff
  - other

- E.C. Drury government
  - general/overview
  - programs
  - other

- Other governments
  - programs

- Political representation

- Other

## Religious Institutions

- General/overview
- Camp meetings/Chautauqua
- Influence in rural community
- Sunday school
- Temperance movement
- Young Men's Christian Association
- Other