



THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
(LIVE-STOCK BRANCH),

VICTORIA, 15th January, 1914.

J. B. Vance, Esq.,
City Analyst,
City Hall,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir :-

The B. C. Dairymen's Association are holding at Chilliwack in connection with their Annual Convention on February 5th and 6th, a Milk and Cream Competition.

Arrangements had been made for a bacterial count, but, owing to an unforeseen number of entries (forty-two), we are forced to look for further assistance in the matter of the milk determinations. The milk at Chilliwack will be taken from storage on the morning of Monday, February 2nd, allowing ample time for results to be obtained from a 48-hour count by the night of Thursday, the 5th.

On mentioning our disturbed arrangements to Mr. S. Shannon, I was advised by him to ascertain whether your Division could undertake the necessary work with these forty-two samples. If it were possible, we would send the bottles to Vancouver, but, as the milk is to be drawn on January 29th, forwarded to Chilliwack and placed in storage until February 2nd, this would mean a high temperature for several hours, with considerable risk en route.

Would it not be practicable for media, dishes, etc., to be brought to Chilliwack before Monday, the 2nd, the samples taken there and then conveyed to Vancouver for incubation ?

I might mention that this list of exhibitors will include the prominent milk producers of the Fraser Valleys, as well as several

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from scattered points throughout the Province.

I shall be glad to hear from you soon, as to the possibility of your conducting this count for the Association, and wish to assure you that in the event of your doing so, you will be rendering us a very great service, indeed.

Yours very truly,

Henry Rive.

Secretary, B. C. Dairymen's Association.

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