

needs. Accordingly, the Provincial Exhibition was discontinued in 1889. After that it was further seen that the remaining functions of the association could be discharged more effectively either by the different live stock and other associations that had been organized, or by the Department itself. Hence an Act of the legislature was passed in 1895 by which the association ceased to exist at the end of that year.

By that Act a provincial registrar of live stock was provided for, to carry on, under the direct control of the Department, the work of registration which had previously been effected by the association. Mr. Wade's long experience in the work eminently qualified him for the position, and he was appointed accordingly.

The complete history of the Ontario Agriculture and Arts Association would be the history of the *general* agriculture of the province for the last fifty years. Many eminent men have contributed to the formation of that history during this time, some of whom, of course, have now passed away. Of the later members of the Council no history would be complete without the particular mention of such names as Jonathan Sissons, of Barrie, the last president; Albert Rawlings, of Forest; J. C. Rykert, of St. Catharines;

Rowand, of Dumblane; and B. Mallory, of Frankford.

THE REGISTRATION OF LIVE STOCK.

The registration of the pedigrees of purebred live stock is an important matter in an agricultural country. Ontario stock-breeders have not



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been slow to establish facilities for this work; but although they have been in almost every case the first of their compatriots to take steps towards securing a permanent record, they have invariably invited the co-operation of breeders in other provinces, and the records established under their auspices have all been, practically, records for the whole Dominion. The first establishment of these records has, in the main, been the work of the Agriculture and Arts Association; and the breeders of the various kinds of live stock have subsequently organized to co-operate with the association in looking after their individual interests; but in some cases the individual associations were first established to look after the work of registration, although in these cases also the practical work of registration was then performed at the office of the Agriculture and Arts Association.

THE DOMINION SHORTHORN BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION.

The first breed of live stock to be registered in Canada was the Shorthorns. They were first registered in 1864, a written herdbook being opened for that purpose under the auspices of the