

## FIELD NOTES

### Plans for Motor Competition

At a meeting in the board room of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition last Saturday night representatives of the motor manufacturers, as well as of agricultural and implement journals, discussed rules and regulations that should govern the motor competition of 1911. Prof. A. R. Greig, of Saskatoon, who has been engineer in charge for two contests, was present and had a set of rules drafted. A few changes were recommended. According to suggestions offered everyone is anxious to see the contest of special interest and value to the farmer.

It was agreed to classify the engines according to piston displacement instead of maximum brake test. Seven classes are proposed—three for gasoline, one for kerosene and three for steam engines. All engines in each class will be required to use the same grade of fuel, but specific gravity of gasoline and kerosene will be given out some time before the contest. Some of the manufacturers wanted points allowed for engines that were able to plow with minimum assistance in the form of helpers. Professor

the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in respect of any matter or thing concerning the terms of this by-law or the terms or conditions thereof, the same shall from time to time be submitted to the arbitration of three persons, one to be chosen by the mayor and council of the city of Winnipeg; one to be chosen by the said Canadian Pacific Railway Company; and one to be appointed on application of either party, and on reasonable notice to the other party by the chief justice of Manitoba, and the award of a majority of such arbitrators of and concerning the premises to them shall be final and binding upon both parties and the same may be made a rule of court."

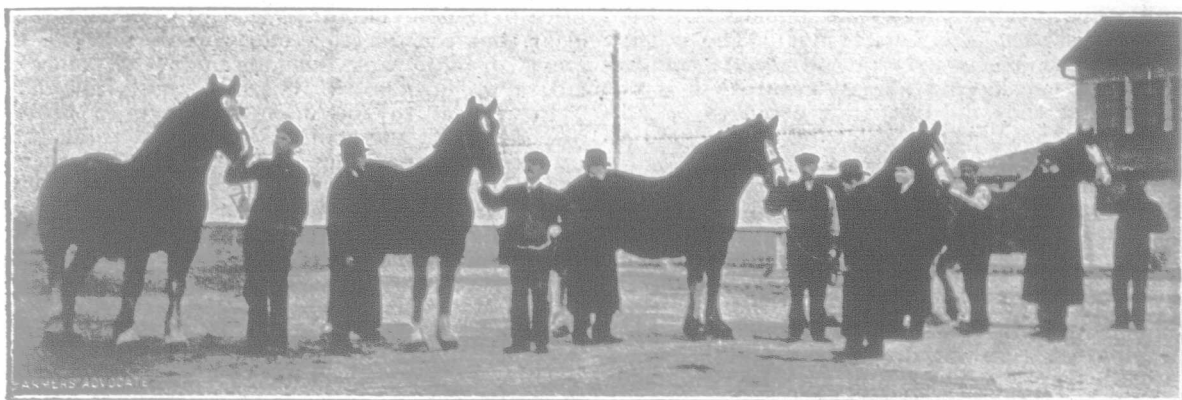
In the meantime the C. P. R. have taken steps to have the yards enlarged.

### Canadian Horses at New York

At the big horse show in New York last week Canadian horses were to the front in several classes. Graham-Renfrew, of Bedford Park, Ont., won first and second on Sailor King and Wamphray Lad; first on Gay Spring, and first on Baron Marcus.

As usual, Miss K. L. Wilks, of Galt, Ont., got a big share of prizes for her Standardbreds. However, her great stallion, Mograzia, had to be content with a red ribbon. In two-year-old stallions, also, Oro Boy got second. Hon. Clifford Sifton won in the jumping classes with The Wasp. In Thoroughbreds, Masterman, owned by the Canadian National Bureau of Breeding, secured the blue ribbon.

### M. A. C. Students in Training for Judging Competitions



The Agricultural College Stock Judging Team visited the Van Horne farm, where Professor Peters gave them a try-out in judging Clydesdale mares.



The students take notes on a class of Shorthorn heifers at the Van Horne farm. The training given there a week ago last Saturday helped them to win at the St. Paul contest.

Greig suggested that only two men be allowed with gasoline and three with steam outfits. Some said they could get along with only one man, and wanted allowance for this labor-saving on the score sheet. The point was not definitely settled, but it is likely no points will be given, although details of number of men employed will appear on the table of results.

### Stockyard Conditions

For some time past the Winnipeg stockyards have been badly crowded. Recently the climax came when the C. P. R. found it difficult to handle stock coming in on other railway lines. The result was some shipments went a deplorably long time without feed and water. The railway company attributes the present condition to a delay in establishing union yards at St. Boniface.

However, the council of the city of Winnipeg have become aroused, and it has been suggested that action be taken to collect tax arrears from the company for not living up to the exemption clause of the agreement whereby the company was to provide ample facilities. It is pointed out that provision has not been made to handle shipments of stock through the city.

The section of the agreement under which the city proposes to take action reads:

"Should any difference or dispute arise between the mayor and council of the city of Winnipeg and

### M. A. C. Students Won

Manitoba Agricultural College student judging team got off to a good start last week when they appeared at South St. Paul Fat Stock Show and carried off highest honors in competition with the students from Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota agricultural colleges. Five students represented each institution. The scores were: Manitoba, 1,600 points; Minnesota, 1,528; North Dakota, 1,273, and South Dakota, 1,200. Three of the Manitoba boys stood at the top in individual standing, A. J. McMillan being first with 352; F. W. Crawford, second with 347, and J. C. Smith, third with 344. The other two members of the team, A. Blackstock and E. W. Jones, were tenth and twelfth respectively.

The judging competition was in charge of Prof. Andrew Boss, who has officiated in award-making at Winnipeg summer exhibitions. Draft geldings, fat steers, fat lambs and market hogs were brought in for the students' scrutiny. Reasons were given orally to the judging committee. Sixty per cent. was allowed for placing and forty for reasons.

This initial success reflects great credit on the students and also on Prof. W. H. Peters, who has trained the judging team. This week stock farms in the northern states are being visited. Next Saturday they go to the big competition at the Chicago International.

### Dates to Keep in Mind

Farmers' delegation waits on the federal government.....December 16  
Western delegation leaves Winnipeg by special train, 11.30 p.m.....December 12  
Manitoba Grain Growers' convention, Brandon.....January 24, 25, 26  
Manitoba Live-stock Breeders' Association annual meetings, Brandon.....January 23, 24  
Manitoba Agricultural Societies' convention, Agricultural College, Winnipeg.....February 13 to 17  
Dairymen's Association convention, Agricultural College.....February 14 to 15  
Manitoba Horticultural Society's convention, Agricultural College.....February 18 to 19  
Brandon Winter Fair.....March 11 to 17  
Saskatchewan Winter Fair.....March 20 to 24

A. D. Harkness, of Irena, Ont., has been selected by the Ontario government to fill the position of superintendent of the Fruit Experiment Station at Jordan Harbor, rendered vacant by the death of the late Harvey S. Peart. The new superintendent will be directly responsible to the director of the fruit branch for the province. Mr. Harkness is one of Ontario's most progressive fruit men, and a graduate of Ontario Agricultural College.

The Live-stock Shippers' Association hold the annual convention in Winnipeg, opening December 7.

In addition to Alberta seed fair dates already announced, W. C. McKillican has arranged in group number two for Irma, November 29, and Stony Plain, December 3.

### Events of the Week

The Saskatchewan legislature has been called to meet December 15.

Count Leo Tolstoi, the Russian writer and philosopher, is dead.

Twenty-seven applications for divorce will be considered by the Senate at the present session of parliament. This is the largest number on record.

British trade returns for the nine months of the present fiscal year show substantial gains in both imports and exports. The figures for the past three months are higher than for any recorded for the third quarter of any previous year.

The minister of agriculture for Alberta has introduced a measure in the legislature to legalize the placing of mortgage clauses in agreements between farmers and implement manufacturers for payment of agricultural machinery.

Lord Strathcona has given \$200,000 to aid school training in Canada. The contribution is towards the establishment of a uniform system of physical and elementary military training for the youth of the Dominion.

Trouble is expected with the Indians in Northern British Columbia. The redmen are reported to have very original ideas as to their rights, and do not like the way the whites are crowding them back and cooping them up in reserves.

The last couple of weeks has seen a decline in meat prices on retail markets in the cities of the Eastern states. Last week also there was a drop in the Toronto stores. At St. Lawrence market most of the stalls offered the best cuts of beef and pork at 2 to 4 cents lower than figures that have prevailed for some time.

The proceedings against the packing houses of Chicago, because of alleged conspiracy to put up the price of meat, have been dropped, owing to a decision of the court that the companies could not be compelled to bring their books into New Jersey, where the case is being tried and where all the companies have charters of incorporation.

The Dominion house assembled on November 17. The speech from the throne foreshadows legislation regarding the terminal elevators at the head of Lake Superior, the Hudson's Bay Railway, reciprocity with the United States and several other matters which agriculturists are interested. During the present session it is the intention of the government to place before parliament a measure providing for the "prosecution and completion" of the Hudson's Bay Railway.

The British political situation is no clearer. Both Unionists and Liberals are campaigning in the country, and the signs point to an early renewal of the fight on the curbing of the power of the Lords. Rumors of various kinds are being started, but the probability is that the house will be at once dissolved and an election held. King George is said to be rather favorable to the Lords, and some of the more aggressive labor members are talking republicanism, which shows the distance of the two extremes in the present situation. From the feeling in the country, as it can be judged by what the press have to say, tariff reform will be less of an issue in this election, the Lords' veto being the overshadowing issue.