

GOSSIP

RED DEER FAIR.

Red Deer's Agricultural Association swung out into their real first year's existence as an annual exhibition on Tuesday afternoon, July 23rd, when Hon. W. F. Finlay, Minister of Agriculture, formally declared the show of 1907 open and ready for public patronage. The attendance on the opening day was fair, though not quite so large as the management expected. The exhibits were good, the stock of high grade and well exhibited. Horses were the largest of the live stock entries, and in number and quality put up a creditable exhibit. Clydes and Shires were the predominating type. Light horses showed out fairly well, but not in numbers equal to the drafters.

Cattle, while most classes were light in entries, came out in good quality, and were the subject of much favorable comment. Unfortunately, because of the lack of proper accommodation, some purebred herds that would otherwise have been out were absent.

Breeders of purebred stuff seldom fancy having their animals tied to posts or roaming about in a corral, and if there is any criticism to be made of the Red Deer Fair it is this, that their facilities for accommodating stock are inadequate, and efforts should be made before another exhibition comes round to remedy the defect and provide proper shelter.

Sheep were not a very representative exhibit. A number of animals of merit were shown, but as a class they possessed but little to commend them very highly. There are a few well-bred flocks in this district, some of which were shown, but as a whole they were in rather ragged condition, though comparing favorably with the average of smaller fairs. Swine made a very small showing, only a few animals being entered, some sections being entirely vacant. Poultry was represented by an exhibit sent down from the Government fattening station, showing methods of cooping and feeding employed at these places. Mr. Finlay, in speaking on the exhibits, emphasized strongly the importance of Alberman farmers giving more attention to this line. Poultry at present prices is a paying proposition. The Government are encouraging it in every way possible through their fattening experiments and institute work and we have no doubt it will soon become more largely developed, to the extent at least of the province being able to produce what they require to supply themselves.

This year's exhibition was away ahead of anything in the line of agricultural fairs which the Red Deer people have yet projected. In most respects it was a success away beyond any previous efforts. A portion of the prize list was as follows:

CLYDES AND SHIRES.

Stallion, any age—W. J. Dodds, Innisfail, first; J. J. Richards, Red Deer, second; H. O. O'Connor, Red Deer, third.

Filly foals—R. M. Gibson, Lacombe, first.

Brood mare—H. O'Connor, Red Deer, first; J. S. Greeley, second.

PERCHERONS, BELGIANS AND SUFFOLK PUNCHES.

Stallion, any age—G. J. Root, Red Deer, first; W. H. Kemp, Innisfail, second; G. F. Root, Red Deer, third.

Filly foal 1906—G. F. Root, first and second.

Brood mare—G. F. Root, Red Deer, first and second.

Heavy draft team, mare or gelding, 1400 pounds and over—J. McLaughlin, Red Deer, first; Town of Red Deer, second; J. J. Richards, Red Deer, third.

Foal, 1907—C. H. Leach, Red Deer, first; A. P. Olson, Red Deer, second; J. J. Richards, Red Deer, third.

Filly or gelding, one year—J. J. Richards, first and second; C. A. J. Shaman, Red Deer, third.

Filly or gelding, two years—J. J. Richards, first and second.

Filly or gelding, three years—C. A. J. Shaman, first.

Brood mare—J. J. Richards, first; C. A. J. Shaman, second; J. J. Richards, third.

Mare and two of her progeny, bred by exhibitor, diploma—J. J. Richards, first.

AGRICULTURAL, 1400 POUNDS AND UNDER.

Team—T. Talbot, Lacombe, first; G. J. Sampsel, Lacombe, second; W. A. Cuthbert, Red Deer, third.

Foal, 1907—C. A. J. Shaman, Red Deer, first; W. Carlton, Red Deer, second; H. Rankes, Pine Lake, third.

Filly or gelding, one year—G. J. Root, first; C. A. J. Shaman, second; T. Talbot, Lacombe, third.

Filly or gelding, two years—J. J. Richards, first; J. Halgren, second; R. Kaiser, third.

Filly or gelding, three years—G. J. Sampsel, Lacombe, first; H. Rankes, Pine Lake, second and third.

Brood mares—H. Rankes, Pine Lake, first; G. J. Root, Red Deer, second; C. A. J. Shaman, Red Deer, third.

LIGHT HORSES (REGISTERED).

Stallion, registered—W. H. Kenny, Innisfail, first; Lacombe Stock Co., second; W. G. Sawyer, Red Deer, third.

SILVER CUPS AS SWEEPSTAKE PRIZES.

Best registered Clydesdale team—First, Lacombe Stock Co.

Best Percheron team registered—First, G. F. Root, Red Deer.

CATTLE.

SHORTHORNS.

Bull, two years and over—First, second, third, G. F. Root.

Yearling bull—First and second, G. F. Root.

Bull calf—G. W. Smith, first; G. F. Root, second.

Cows, three years and over—G. F. Root, first and second; A. P. Olson, third.

Heifer, two years old—G. F. Root, first.

Heifer, one year old—G. F. Root, first.

Heifer calf—First and second, J. Bethune, Penhold.

Herd, bull and three females over one year owned by one exhibitor—J. Bethune, first.

POLLED ANGUS.

Bull, two years and over—J. Brown, Red Deer, first.

Cow, three years and over—First and second, J. Bethune, A. Pointer.

Heifer, two years—F. Brown, first; R. Kaiser, second.

Heifer, one year old—F. Brown, first.

Best calf—F. Brown, first; J. Bethune, second; A. Pointer, third.

Pen of three steers, two years—F. Brown.

Herd and three females any age, owned and bred by exhibitor—F. Brown. Prizes \$10 and \$5.

CHAMPIONSHIP.

Best bull, any beef breed—G. J. Root.

Best bull and dairy breed—C. A. J. Shannon, first.

SPECIAL SILVER CUP PRIZES.

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Best Shorthorn bull—G. F. Root.

Best Shorthorn cow—G. F. Root.

Best Shorthorn steer—Thomas Brown.

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AN ENGLISH FARMER'S TOAST.

Let the wealthy and great Roll in splendor and state, I envy them not, I declare it. I eat my own lamb, My chicken and ham, I shear my own fleece and I wear it. I have lawns, I have bowers. I have fruit, I have flowers, The lark is my morning alarmer; So my jolly boys now, Here's God speed the plow, Long life and success to the farmer.

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He—Well, then, you had better ask him to alter the price.

—*Meggendorfer Blätter*.

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