

being the growth of the year 1855, will be given as in former years. The Agricultural Association gives prizes of £10 and £5 for the 2nd and 3rd best specimens. The Canada Company also gives prizes of £6 for the best 112lbs. of flax, and £4 for the best 112lbs. of hemp, an addition to those given by the Association. For the best portable steam-engine for farm purposes, four to six horse-power, (open to foreign competition,) a prize of £10, and a diploma, will be given. A premium of £15 will be given for the best report on each of the following counties—viz.: Simcoe, Bruce, and Prescott. If the successful report be written by the Secretary of the County Agricultural Society, the premium will be increased to £20. The reports to be sent in to the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, Toronto, on or before the 1st day of September next; accompanied by a sealed note, containing the name and address of the writer. With the view of encouraging largely the importation of improved stock, the exhibitor of any male animal imported into the province from Europe since the last Exhibition, which shall take the first prize in any of the classes for which premiums are announced, will be paid three times the amount of the premium offered in the list; the exhibitor of any female animal imported from Europe within the same time, taking the first prize, will be paid double the amount offered; the exhibitor of any male animal imported into the Province from any part of America, within the same time taking the first prize, will be paid double the amount of prize offered; and of any female animal, imported within the same time, and taking the first prize, one-half the amount offered, in addition to that in the list; such animals to be the bona fide property of persons residing in Upper Canada.

The classes are arranged as follows:—

HORSES.

Class 1, Blood Horses. Class 2, Agricultural Horses.

CATTLE.

Class 3d, Durhams. Class 4, Devons. Class 5, Herefords. Class 6, Ayrshires. Class 7, Galloway Cattle. Class 8, Grade Cattle. Class 9, Fat and working Cattle, any Breed.

SHEEP

Class 10, Leicesters. Class 11, South-downs. Class 12, Merino and Saxons. Class 13, Cotswolds. Class 14, Cheviots. Class 15, Fat Sheep.

PIGS.

Class 16, Large Breed Pigs, Small Breed Pigs.

Class 17, Poultry.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIONS.

Class 18, Grains, Seeds, &c. Class 19, Roots and other field Crops.

HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

Class 20, Fruit. Class 21, Garden

Vegetables, Class 22, Plants and Flowers. Class 23, dairy Products, Sugar, Provisions, &c.

Domestic Manufactures.

Class 24, Agricultural Implements.— Class 25, Leather and Furs. Class 26, Manufactures in metals, &c. Class 27, Cabinet Ware, Carriages, &c. Class 28, Pottery. Class 29, Woollen and Flax Goods. Class 30, Ladies' Department. Class 31, Fine Arts, &c. Executed since last Exhibition. In Oil, Water Colours, Pencil and Crayon. Class 32, Indian Prizes. Class 33, Bookbinding, Paper, &c. Class 34, Foreign Stock. Class 35, Foreign Agricultural Implements.

The rules and regulations of the Exhibition, very plainly expressed, preface the list, and it will be wise for every competitor to fix them thoroughly in his mind before the time of action. None but members of the association will be allowed to compete except in four specified classes—viz., the Ladies' Department, the Indian prizes, the Foreign Stock, and the Foreign Agricultural Implements. The payment of five shillings and upwards constitutes a person a member of the Agricultural Association of Upper Canada for one year; and £2 10s. for life, when given for that specific object, and not as a contribution to the local funds.—All entries must be made on printed forms, which may be obtained of the Secretaries of Agricultural Societies, free of charge.—These forms are to be filled up and signed by the exhibitor, enclosing a dollar for membership, and sent to the Secretary of the Association, Board of Agriculture, Toronto, on or before Saturday, Sept. 22d, after which time a charge of 5s. will be imposed on each article. Exhibitors in the Horticultural and Ladies' Department may enter articles up to Tuesday Evening, Oct. 9th, when the Books will be finally closed.

The Cobourg Local Committee consists of Sheriff Ruttan, Chairman; Asa A. Burnlan, Treasurer; Henry Jones Ruttan, Secretary; Sir Edward Poore, Bart, John Wade, D. E. Boulton, Alexander Alcorn, G. E. Castle, Thomas Eyre, Walter Riddell, R. Wade, Jun., C. H. Morgan, O. W. Powell, P. B. Wright, F. Burrell, W. Weller. The committee announce that they will make arrangements with Steamboat and Railway proprietors for carrying the passengers at reduced rates; also with the Hotel and Boarding-house keepers for accommodating visitors at their ordinary fixed charges.

The Show takes place this year at Cobourg, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 10th, 11th and 12th; the first day being appropriated solely to the admission of Judges, Competitors and Officers, until 12 o'clock, after that hour, of members, that is, persons who have paid 5s. the annual subscription, or £2 10s. which constitutes a life membership.

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Blood horses and thorough bred cattle must be entered and have their full pedigrees attested, send to the Secretary in Toronto, not later than Saturday, September 22nd. No animals will be allowed to compete as pure bred, unless they possess regular Herd Book pedigrees, or satisfactory evidence be produced that they are directly descended from such Stock.

Every article exhibited for competition must be the growth, produce or manufacture of Canada, except those classified under the heading of Foreign Stock and Agricultural Implements.

Live Stock for breeding must be the property of persons residing in Canada. All premiums for articles, except Stock, are to be awarded to the manufacturers or producers only.

No articles or Stock exhibited will be allowed to be removed from the grounds, till the awards are made, without the permission of the President David Christie, Esq., M. P. P., under the penalty of losing the premiums.

Delegates, Judges and Members of the Press, are requested to report themselves at the Secretary's office immediately on their arrival.

In a subsequent number we shall give the first portion of the Prize List, to be completed in succeeding numbers.—*Agriculturist.*

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AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

One of the best indications of improved farming and of agricultural prosperity may be found in the large increase of machinery and agricultural implements, which have found their way, more especially into Canada West, during the season of 1855. The wharves on lake and river have been absolutely encumbered by the number of labour saving machines landed upon them. In a recent excursion from Kingston by Cobourg, Port Hope, Darlington, Whitby, Niagara and Toronto, we were quite surprised to see the number of agricultural implements discharged from Steamers, and the various wharfingers assured us they had never known such large importations before. The imple-