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## BRITISH AND FOREIGN:

A monument has been erected at Meddelburg in the Transvaal as a memorial to the horses that fell in the

A special passenger train has passed safely through the new Simplon tunnel between Switzerland and Italy. Ordinary traffic is expected to begin about the first of April.

Miss Alice Roosevelt, daughter of the President, was married on February 17 at the White House to Representative Nicholas Longworth of Ohio.

The British Labor Party will remain independent, not affiliating with any of the other parties in the House. Keir Hardie, the Labor leader, predicts that socialism will be a dominant factor in future politics, and old age pensions the leading demand. ak ak ak

A scheme is being considered to harness Victoria Falls, the greatest cataract of the eastern hemisphere, to supply electric power to the Transvaal mines 700 miles away.

Thomas Gibson Boles, the late Free Trade Unionist candidate for Kings Lynn where he met defeat, has been chosen by the Liberal Association to oppose Balfour the former premier, in the city of London byeelection which is caused by the resignation of Alton Gibbs, who gave up his seat to enable Mr. Balfour to return to Parliament.

John A. McCall until recently President of the New York Life Insurance Company died on February 18 in Lakewood, N. J. He was born in Albany in 1849. He entered the insurance business early in life, was appointed state insurance inspector in 1885, became comptroller of the Equitable Life, and in 1892 accepted the position he held at the time of his death.

A crisis in the Austria-Hungary situation was reached on February 19, when force was used to dissolve the Hungarian parliament. The deputies refused to leave the House until the police were sent, but departed quietly when the officers of the law arrived. They have appealed against the injustice of the dissolution, and their leader, Francis Kossuth, is of the opinion that these internal complications will endanger the peace of Europe.

On the Kaiser's shoulder is laid the blame of the deadlock reached in the Moroccan Conference at Algeciras. The question, of course, is the policing of the Moroccan border, and the latest reports say that France has agreed to put the responsibility of keeping peace on the frontier into the hands of the Sultan provided he will select French officers to do the work. If this arrangement is not accepted by Germany, France feels that she is called upon to make no more concessions, and some other means will have to be

The breaking up of the Russian Cabinet, though not unexpected, has come suddenly. Many promi-Communication, the Controller of the Empire and the Finance Minister are preparing their resignations. The minister of railways is ready to quit his post after a tour of inspection as he declares that an efficient service is impossible while the police are imprisoning the most intelligent and experienced of the railroad operators. The vacancies in the cabinet will be filled by vice-ministers until the meeting of the national Assembly.

## The Clydesdale and Shire Show.

"Greater than has been," aptly describes the fourth annual Canadian Clydesdale and Shire Show, held in the Repository, Toronto, February 7th, 8th and 9th. Favored with ideal weather, patronized by large and enthusiastic crowds, with an entry far in excess of any former year, the Repository being crowded, the ring proving too small for the large number of entries and too small to properly show the horses in action. A large arena is a project mooted by the stockmen and the need is evident. Messrs. Burns and Sheppard made everybody as comfortable as possible, but the crowd was too large for the place—a most hopeful and encouraging sign to horse breeders and the fancy.

The judges were John Bright, Myrtle; Robert Beith, Bowmanville; Robert Graham, Bedford Park; Peter Christie, M. P., Manchester, referee.

CLYDESDALES.—The first class called was Clyde stallions, foaled previous to January 1st, 1902, of which nine lined up, and a more even lot has seldom if ever, been seen together in a Toronto show-ring. Recent importations show a decided improvement over those of former years. It took the judges conthrough the Okanagan Valley, across the Salmon River to Kamloops. Then it will follow the north class, as several of them were very even in the more siderable time to decide on the ribbon bearers in this

prominent Clydesdale characteristics. The firstprize horse was found in Smith & Richardson's newly imported Olympus, by a son of Baron's Pride, Up-totime, a horse of great scale, with good underpinning. A very close second was R. Ness & Sons', The Rejected, a horse that has carried the red and blue out of many a show ring. Third went to O. Sorby's grand quality horse, Prince of London, a horse that, did he carry a little more weight and feather, would be very hard to turn under. Fourth was found in T. H. Hassard's Breadalbane, a worthy son of Hiawatha, a horse possessing a vast amount of substance and quality, and a strong favorite with many of the onlookers. Fifth went to Wm. Duncan's Prince Orla. A disinterested onlooker confided that while not finding serious fault he would have placed the horses, The Rejected and Breadalbane further up; seldom are judges called on to face a harder problem than this class presented.

In the next class, stallions foaled in 1902, there were eleven entries, which by their size, style, quality and action made work for the judges from the drop of the hat. Smith & Richardson's Mascot, a worthy son of Baron's Pride, was first; Graham & Renfrew's Recruit, second; third, that big colt, Prince Cairnbrogie of Smith & Richardson's; T. H. Hassard's Pearl Finder was fourth; Henderson's Minmore, a stylish, natty-going horse, fifth; Mercer's Knight of Glamis was temporarily lame, which was unfortunate as his chances of carrying off high honors were good.

Stallions of 1903 were fourteen in number, an exceptionally even, well-balanced lot, that taxed the judges to pick the winners. Graham & Renfrew's Celtic Lad was finally decorated with the red; Chas. Bennett's Moncrieffe Baronet, second; Smith & Richardson's Baron Richardson, third, a colt that had many admirers for higher honors; J. A. Boag's Lord Durham, a good colt, fourth; and fifth went to Blacon

1904 colts were next, and the call brought out half a dozen colts that showed a combination of size and quality, and the promise of future winners. First went to Blacon Chime, owned by Graham & Renfrew, a sweet colt, full of quality and a good mover; Smith & Richardson's Celtic Prince was second; third to Smith & Richardson's Baron Smith; fourth and fifth to J. A. Boag's Forglen Chief and Ardnahoe; sixth to A. Aitchison's Gallant James.

Canadian-bred Clydesdale or Shire stallions, foaled previous to January 1st, 1904, made an interesting class. All the candidates were Canadian-bred, and were testimonials to the fact that Canada is quite capable of breeding as good a class of animals as the world produces. John Vipond's Erskine Lyndoch, carried off the red; Doherty's Golden Conqueror was second; he has plenty of substance. R. L. Graham's Admiral was third; Sorby's Prince Patrician was fourth; J. W. Cowie's Alexander Macqueen was fifth.

Six stallions foaled in 1904 came forward at the call, and they were an even lot-a credit to their breeders. Graham & Renfrew's Superior was first; second went to Chas. Stewart's Chief Harmony, a larger colt; Smith & Richardson's Newbie was third; fourth to Crawford Bros.' Macqueen's Champion; fifth to Alex. Doherty's Donald Macgregor

Shire stallions foaled previous to January 1st, 1903, were four in number, a lot of drafty types. O. Sorby's Bramhope Blackthorn was placed first, a horse of outstanding excellence, lots of size and a fair mover; second was J. Gardhouse & Sons' Coleshill Royal Albert, a horse of not quite so much substance and not as high a lifter of his forefeet; third to Rowland Keevil's Medbourne Heirloom, a large horse; fourth to J. B. Hogate's Albert's Model.

Stallions foaled in 1903, J. M. Gardhouse's Nateby King was placed first, he is a low set thick horse, strong underpinning, acts and looks a wearer; J. B. Hogate's Falstaff 3rd, got the blue.

Thos. Irving's Whitehall Prince won in yearlings. O. Sorby's Bramhope Blackthorn was champion. Stallion colts, either imported or Canadian-bred Clydesdales, or Shires, foaled subsequent to or on January 1st, 1905. J. W. Cowie's Roval Chattan first; Jas. Richardson's What Care I second. Of mares in this class, four came forward, first going to a big qualtiy mare owned by C. R. Bennett, Baron's Lily; second to Chiming Bell, also property of C. R. Bennett; third to Smith & Richardson's Madge of Hallcroft, and fourth to T. H. Hassard's Miss Gilmour, all im-

The class for Clydesdale mares imported, those tracing to imported mares and those bred up from Canadian mares, foaled on or subsequent to January 1st, 1903, was a strong one. They were a very even lot. Jas. Richardson's Fragrance, a model of the breed, imported by Prouse & Innis, was first; A. G. Gormley's Queen of Maple Grove was second ; J. A. Boag & Son's Imp. Lucetta got third; fourth went to T. H. Hassard's Imp. Miss Harrison; fifth to W. T. Mc-

E. L. Drewry Cup-Value \$100.00, for best three Thompson river for 100 miles, entering the Cariboo males and three females, any variety. Goe. Wood, Winnipeg.

Challenge Cup and Medal for the best pen of fowls exhibited by a farmer who has not previously won a prize at an exhibition of the Manitoba Poultry Association. H. E. Waby, Holmfield, Man.

Challenge Cup and Medal for highest scoring pair of fowls, any variety, Bantams barred. Geo. Wood,

Challenge Cup for best exhibit of Pigeons made by one exhibitor. W. Nixon, Winnipeg.

Special, value \$15.00, for highest scoring Cock, Hen, Cockerel and Pullet of any one variety, except Bantams,. Geo. Wood, Winnipeg.

Cup for best exhibit of White Rocks. Geo. Plunkett,

Special Prizes:-Best Breeding Pen B. P. Rocks,

Milne Bros., Brandon. Pen Best Breeding Pen any var by member of Virden Poultry any variety, owned Association. J. W. Higginbotham, Virden. Best all round Farmers' Exhibit, Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens. J. Kitson, Macdonald. Best pair of Geese. Chickens. J. Kitson, Macdonald. Best pair of Geese. Jos. Prichard, Wapella. Best pair Ducks, any variety. Menlove & Thickens, Virden. Best Pen B. P. R., H. W. Hodkinson, Neepawa. Best Pen Langshans, Geo. Woods, Winnipeg. Best Pen Cochins, W. Anderson, Brandon. Best Pen Wyandottes, M. T. Adamson, Virden. Best Pen Orpingtons W. F. Scarth & Son, Virden. Best Pen Brahmas, J. W. Higginbotham, Virden. Best Pen Games, Milne Bros. Brandon. Best Pen Leghorns George Woods Bros., Brandon. Best Pen Leghorns, George Woods, Winnipeg. Best Pen Minorcas, R. D. Laing, Stonewall, Man. Best Pen Bantams, Geo. Gundy, Virden. Best Pen S. L. Wyandottes, M. F. Adamson, Virden. Best Three males and females B. P. Rocks, George Gundy, Virden. Best Three males and females. White Wyandottes, Rev. F. W. Goodeve, Neepawa, Best Three males and females S. L. Wyandottes, Ed. Brown, Boissevain, Man. Best Three males and females Light Brahmas, J. W. Higginbotham, Virden. Best Three males and females Partridge Cochins, W. Anderson, Brandon. Best Three males and females S. or Rose C. Leghorns, Geo. Wood, Winnipeg. Best Pair White Rocks, G. Plunkett, Neepawa. Best Pair Buff Rocks, W. Schvenan, Virden. Best Pair Minorcas, R. D. Laing, Stonewall. Best Pair Games, Milne Bros., Brandon. Best Pair Black Orpingtons, Menlove & Thickens, Virden. Best Pair Houdans, C. H. Wise, Winnipeg. Best Gobbler, R. D. Laing, Stonewall. Best Gander, Jos. Prichard, Wapella. Best Goose, Jos. Prichard, Wapella. Best Turkey

(See page 281 for Detailed Prize List.)

Turkey, Mrs. Bellamy, Virden, cash \$5.00.

Hen, R. D. Laing, Stonewall. Best Display, W. F.

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## FIELD NOTES

Events of the World.

CANADIAN. A. H. Colquhoun formerly of the Toronto News has been appointed Deputy Minister of Education

A valuable deposite of graphite has been discovered at French Vale, Cape Breton Island

Lord Strathcona has notified the London agents of the Canadian manufacturers that implement exhibits will be accepted at the exhibition to be held at Lagos, West Africa, next November.

The Marine Department at Ottawa has given orders for several new life-boats to be sent to British Columbia for use on the west coast of Vancouver Island. Telegraph and telephone service will be made as perfect as possible. \* \* \*

At the opening of the Ontario Legislature in the speech from the throne Lieutenant Governor Clark had this to say in regard to the Ontario Agricultural

"The past year has been most successful in the the history of the agricultural college from the standpoint of number of students, amount of work done and number of farm visitors. For the first time in its career the total number of students in all classes exceeded a thousand. The Macdonald Institute has apparently taken firm hold on the appreciation of the public, and farmers' daughters have come to its halls in numbers that promise a very bright future for the institution. You will be asked to provide funds for increasing the teaching faculties of the college in various departments.

The legislature of British Columbia will be asked to consent to the building of the Boundary, Kamloops and Cariboo Central Railway. The proposed road will connect the southern boundary of British Columbia with the Yukon River. With some town on the border line as the southern terminus the road will run