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Brandon Exhibition

Splendid Weather—Superb Exhibits and Record Crowds

Brandon Fair this year again more than realized expectations. This exhibition has always been conceded the premier position in the western fair circuit, and in spite of being operated in strenuous times when so much of everyone's energy is being devoted to assisting in bringing about a successful termination to the war in Europe, Brandon seemed better this year than ever before. Favored with splendid weather, managed by an experienced and energetic secretary, backed up by an enthusiastic and capable board of directors, held in one of the most progressive and well stocked portions of the North American continent, and, above all, wholeheartedly patronized by farmers throughout the entire province, it is little wonder that complete success attended the 1916 Brandon exhibition. The formal opening was pronounced by Premier Norris on Tuesday, July 18, and the exhibition closed on Friday, July 21. If particular mention can be made of any special branch of the exhibits, the showing, both as regards quality and fit, in the Clydesdale horse classes was second to none in Canada. The increase in popularity of the Aberdeen Angus cattle was also very marked, and as one prominent breeder put it, "If they give us another five or six years there will be nothing but black cattle showing." But it is not possible to conceive of a Brandon fair without some of the choicest representatives being present of the other beef breeds—Shorthorns and Herefords. All departments of the fair were well organized, of outstanding merit among the exhibits being those of the Brandon Experimental Farm, the Manitoba Agricultural College and the Provincial Health Department.

Clydesdales

Judge John Gardhouse awarded Clydesdale horse honors to O. J. White, of Hamiota, when "Bell Isle" was placed grand champion stallion, any age.

The more important awards follow: Junior champion stallion, "King of Brookside," Frank Brooks, Chater. Reserve champion, "Prince Charneck," John Crawford, Chater. Junior champion filly, "Lady Jane," W. J. Young, Griswold. Reserve champion, "Rose Charneck," A. C. McPhail and Son, Brandon, Man. Champion Clydesdale stallion, any age, Canadian bred, "King of Brookside," F. Brooks, Chater. Reserve champion, "Gay Prince Khan," F. J. Hassard, Markham. Champion Clydesdale mare, any age, Canadian bred, "Lady Jane," W. J. Young, Griswold. Reserve champion, "My



Amelia H. Reichardt, President of Mills College, California, the only woman representing her state on the Pacific coast. Mrs. Reichardt is a recently educated woman. A graduate of the University of California, she took a post-graduate course in Yale University, studied in England at Oxford, and in 1905 received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Yale.

Daisy Belle," Robert Lockie, Arcola. Reserve champion Clydesdale stallion, any age, "King of Brookside," Frank Brooks, Chater. Grand champion Clydesdale mare or filly, any age, "Veldorah," O. J. White, Hamiota. Reserve champion, W. J. Young, Griswold.

The agricultural classes of horses are undoubtedly one of the strongest features of Brandon shows, and are the best possible demonstration of the steady growth of horsebreeding in Manitoba and the results to be looked for from good sires.

Classes of six and eight filed into the ring with scarcely any undersized or defective animal among them. There were horses the get of such well-known sires as "Cairnhill," "Flash Baron," "Hatton," "Chamberlin Joe," "Black Ivory," "Johnston's Count." Outstanding among this class was a mare owned and bred by Lindsay, of Neepawa. She was first in her class as a three-year-old, and later won the silver



Russian troops in France reviewed by President Pollock.

medal as the best agricultural horse shown in any class.

In heavy draft there were no large classes, but a few individuals of outstanding merit. A. C. McPhail, president of the exhibition, carried off the championship for the best draft mare or gelding, any age, with his five-year-old "Barney," winner of many a well-contested field. Competition was strong between this horse and another by the same owner, "Prince." Both are "Flash Baron" breeding. These two horses have shown against each other eight times, and have never had another horse come between them.

Clyde Futurity

For the first time in Brandon, Clydesdale futurity prizes were competed for. There was a prize of \$63 for stallions, twelve competing in this class, and \$43 for filly foals, twenty-six of which vied with each other for top place. While the stallion class was disappointing, showing some lack of natural development in most of the colts, the filly class was a splendid one, and indicates splendid prospects for the development of the breed. First prize stallion foal was "Prince Charneck," sired by "Charneck," and owned by John Crawford, Chater. First prize filly was owned by A. McPhail, Brandon, and is by "Charneck" out of "Louisa Leader."

Percherons were few. C. D. Roberts and Sons, Osborne, Man., were the largest exhibitors and carried off most of the first awards.

Cattle

There was a splendid showing of Shorthorns, on which Prof. Pew, of Ames, Iowa, placed the awards. One particularly gratifying incident to western stockmen was the awarding of first place to J. G. Barron's cow, "Fairview Baroness Queen," in the three-year-old class, over the Aulds' champion cow, "Silver Queen." J. G. Barron is worthy of particular praise in that he is a western breeder who, on his own farm, has brought up his herd to a standard capable of competing successfully in the choicest company. Other exhibitors were: A. and G. Auld, Guelph; Yule and Bowes, Calgary; Kyle Bros.; W. H. English, Harding; John Graham, Carberry, and D. W. Agnew, Douglas.

A. and G. Auld carried off the first three placings in the bull calf class, number one going to "Royal Triumph," who already has much glory to his credit and who was later made junior champion. Yule got fourth and

herd, those showing were: J. Bowman, Guelph; W. R. Stewart, Daysland, Alta.; Porterfield, Brandon and Jas. Turner, Carroll, Man.

In aged bull class McGregor's "Black Abbott's Prince" again reigned supreme; Bowman was second and third with "Young Leroy" and "Beauty Syrewin," and Turner fourth with "Roseneath Ring-leader." In the two-year-old bull class Bowman's "Elm Park Wizard" carried off the red; Porterfield was second, and W. R. Stewart, Daysland, Alberta, third. The aged cow class was very strong and came in for much favorable comment. "Key of Heather," from McGregor's herd, was again in first place, and he also got third and fifth with a couple of good entries not previously shown. Bowman got second, fourth and sixth; Stewart seventh, eighth and ninth. In class of two-year-old heifers Bowman was first and second, McGregor third and Stewart fourth and fifth. In senior heifer yearling Bowman was first and third, McGregor second, Turner third and fourth, and Stewart fifth.

In junior heifer yearling class McGregor got first, second and fourth, Bowman third and fifth. In heifer calf class Bowman got first, McGregor second, Turner fourth and fifth, and Stewart sixth and seventh.

The championship afforded a surprise when Judge Pew placed "Edward of Glencarnock," a bull calf of McGregor's own breeding, over his "Black Abbott's Prince," the imported bull and grand champion at both Calgary and Edmonton.

Dairy cattle were represented by the Holstein herds of J. H. Laycock, Okotoks, Alta., and Geo. Bevington, Winterturf, Alta., and Wyrshire herds of Rowland Ness, De Winton, Alta., and Jas. Braid, Oak Lake, Man. Jas. Harper, Westlock, Alta., showed the only herd of Jerseys, and Glendinning Bros. had the only Red Poll herd.

Sheep and Swine

The exhibit of swine was a good one. Berkshires were represented by S. Dutton and Son, Norval Station, Ont.; A. G. English, Harding; Wm. Gilbert, Stony Plain, Alta.; R. Lang, Oak Lake; John Campbell, Brandon; Wm. Gilbert and Edmund Bray, Neepawa.

Champion bear prize went to A. G. English, and reserve to Dutton and Son. In the sow section, championship and reserve went to Dutton and Son, and in the other sections this firm, along with Wm. Gilbert, Edmund Bray, Neepawa, and A. G. English, were winners.

Improved Yorkshires, while not as great in numbers shown as the Berks, were excellent in quality. The prize for championship bear, any age, went to W. H. English, Harding, and the sow championship went to A. D. MacDonald and Son, of Napiakwa, Man., and in the

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