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### Editorial.

#### The World's Columbian Exposition.

Since our last issue, by Order-in-Council, the following gentlemen have been appointed an Advisory Board to assist Mr. N. Awrey, Commissioner to the World's Columbian Exposition:—Hon. Thos. Ballantyne, Stratford; A. Rawlings, Ravenswood; R. S. Paterson, Whitby; Stephen Hall, Washington; J. A. Marshall Binbrook; F. W. Hodson, London; R. J. Mackie, Oshawa; D. M. McPherson, Lancaster; D. Derbyshire, Brockville; J. C. Snell, Elmorton; A. Miscampbell, M. P. P., Midland; R. Gibson, Delaware; A. H. Pettit, Grimsby; John Hope, Brantford; A. B. Foran, Winona; C. H. Waterous, Brantford; Henry Wade, Toronto; Edward Moms, Fonthill; and W. G. Copp, Hamilton.

The first meeting of the Board was held July 4th.

At that time breeders in Ontario had made application for the following space:—163 horses, 200 cattle, 278 sheep, 91 swine, and 115 poultry. On this list were many of the best breeders, and

several others are yet to come in. The list will close in March, 1893, in order to get the entries to Chicago in time for incorporation in the official catalogue.

Cattle and horses will be shown in Chicago from August 21 to September 21, one month; sheep and swine from September 25 to October 14, three weeks; dogs from June 12 to 17; poultry, pigeons and fat stock from October 16 to 28. For the fruit exhibit cold storage will be ready at the exhibition by next October.

A letter was read from Prof. Saunders, the Dominion Commissioner to the Exposition. It contained a summary of the arrangement arrived at between the Dominion and Provincial authorities as to the work each body should attend to, which will be as follows:—(1) That the Dominion Government will pay the transport of exhibits, going and returning, and for the placing of articles sent; (2) The Government will also pay for the food of such animals as may be selected for the Exposition during the time they are required to be on the grounds; (3) The province of Ontario will undertake to make a selection of such stock, horses and poultry as will be a credit to the province, and will defray the expense connected with the making of such selection, and also the expenses of the necessary caretakers to look after those exhibits during the time they are required to be on the grounds; (4) The province of Ontario undertakes to prepare an exhibit of fruit, and engages to provide a competent person to prepare and take charge of such exhibit, and to provide such bottles and other containers as are required—provided the Dominion Government will allow them to come in free of duty—and to defray the expenses of such exhibit from the provincial funds, except transportation; (5) The province will undertake the preparation of an exhibit of minerals, illustrative of its resources, such exhibit to be prepared at the expense of the province; (6) The province of Ontario further undertakes to provide a display of the timber resources of the province, through the Department of Crown Lands, also one or more sets of pillars for the forestry building, the expense of transportation of these, in common with all articles to be sent, to be borne by the Dominion Government; (7) The Provincial Government further undertakes to make a display in connection with the Educational Department, and to add such other features of interest relating to the departmental work in the several divisions of the Government as may be thought desirable; (8) The Provincial Government agrees to co-operate with the Dominion Government in bringing together such a selection of the agricultural pro-

ducts as will be creditable to the province, and will use its best endeavors, through the Agricultural Societies under the control of the Provincial Government, to bring about this desirable end; (9) The Dominion Government undertakes the work of selecting and bringing together exhibits in the departments of manufactures, machinery, transportation, fine arts, liberal arts, electricity, etc.; (10) The Dominion Government having decided to erect a Canadian building on the ground, in order to provide the necessary office accommodation for the Commissioners, and a place of rendezvous for the Canadian people—the estimate of cost for such building and furnishings being \$20,000—the Province of Ontario agrees to contribute the sum of \$3,000 on condition that an office in the building be placed at the disposal of the Ontario Commissioner, and that when the building and furniture is disposed of at the close of the Exposition, any sum realized shall be returned to Ontario in proportion to the sum contributed.

The letter continued:—It will be understood that the arrangements above provided for will not in any way interfere with the authority of the Executive Commissioner, who will have the general charge of the exhibits and the allotment of space. The Commissioner for the Dominion will in every case use his utmost endeavors to meet the wishes of the representatives of the several provinces, as well as those of exhibitors in general, with a view to making the exhibition as complete and satisfactory as possible.

The Commissioner announced that he had secured the services of Mr. David Boyle to prepare a mineral exhibit, and that the Minister of Education had guaranteed an educational exhibit to excel that made at Philadelphia.

Since that date the applications for space for stock, poultry, etc., have been and are coming in day by day, until it is a question if the selectors of stock will not have a huge job upon their hands when they come to inspect it. This is gratifying, as it shows the great interest the stockmen of the province are taking in the Exposition. At the time of writing grasses and grain in the sheaf are being collected from different parts of the province, and are being forwarded to Prof. Saunders. Men who are scattered over the province collecting the finest specimens of grass and grain are labelling each lot with the lot, block, concession and municipality where grown, together with the variety, manner of cultivation, and so forth, so that each part of the province may be credited with the kinds of grain which may be collected.

Farmers who have very fine specimens of fruit or grain should communicate with Prof. Saunders, Ottawa, or Mr. N. Awrey, Toronto. Nothing is wanted but the best—the very best procurable.

Give these gentlemen your hearty co-operation and assistance. Every Canadian should take an interest in this great work, which affords us an opportunity to let the world see what Canada can produce.

We are sorry to see that some of the other provinces are not entering heartily into this work. We publish this report that they may see what Ontario is doing, hoping that they may at once follow her example.