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dian Census of 1911, the total of which is given as \$7,488,784. The report states that it is gratifying to note that within the past year the business of fur farming has been extended to other lines than fox-breeding, and that it now includes the rearing in captivity of beaver, raccoon, mink, muskrat, Russian sable, fisher, skunk, and Karakul sheep, the latter producing the celebrated Persian-lamb fur. Herein is the beginning of a number of related live-stock industries, to all of which, climate, soil, and food products are especially well adapted, and which give promise of proving largely profitable in the years to come. Especially is this true of the Karakul sheep, the breeding of which was begun in Prince Edward Island last fall.

Gossip

RECORD PRICES FOR HACKNEY PONIES.

Record prices have been paid for William Foster's Mel Valley Hackney ponies. Thirteen head were sold for £4,116, or an average of over £316 per head. Chief prices were:

	Guineas.
Model Fire, b.g., 4 years, 12 h. 3½ in., by Fireboy—Chas. E. Cox, U. S. A.	100
Supreme, dk.-b.g., 3 years, 13 h. 1½ in., by Successful—Mr. Laurie.	145
Brilliant, dk.-b.g., 4 years, 13 h. 2 in., by Royal Success—Mrs. Van Nievelt van Hattum.	310
Beauty, br. m., 5 years, 13 h. 2 in., by Fire King—Miss Lort.	105
Britannia, br. m., 4 years, 13 h. 1½ in., by Lichfield—Mr. Tunnicliffe.	180
Gay Lad, b. g., 4 years, 14 h. 1½ in., by Mathias—W. W. Bourne.	310
Glenavon Nymph, ch. m., 4 years, 14 h. 2 in., by Middleton King—Mr. Parrock, Johannesburg.	100
Flare, b.g., 7 years, 13 h. 3½ in., by Wrotfield, Polonius—J. E. Agate.	120
Bauble, dk.-b. m., 7 years, 13 h. 1 in., by Berkeley Claudius—W. W. Bourne.	1,150
Fire, dk.-b. m., 7 years, 13 h. 1½ in., by Royal Success—W. W. Bourne.	410
Famous, b. g., 6 years, 13 h. 3 in., by Whitegate Swell—W. W. Bourne.	140
Halfe, b. g., 5 years, 13 h. 3 in., by Royal Success—W. W. Bourne.	325
Miracle, b. m., 7 years, 15 h. 1½ in., by Mathias—Alderman Bewley.	325

Trade Topic.

"ENCOURAGE THE BOYS."

A feature of the fifth annual Toronto Fat-stock Show, to be held at Union Stock-yards, Toronto, on Friday and Saturday, December 11 and 12, this year, is the special prize offered for hogs fed by farm boys. The prizes aggregate as follows: First, \$50; second, \$15; third, \$10. Following conditions to be observed: Competition limited to boys under 25 years. Pen three barrows, bacon type, 170-225 pounds, and must have been fed since weaning at six weeks old by the exhibitor. The provincial Department of Agriculture are offering free term at the O. A. C., at Guelph, along these lines. This is the encouragement a boy needs to make him a good farmer when he is grown, and to stay at "the best place on earth"—on the farm. Full and complete premium lists will be out in a short time. There are several new classes to be competed for this year.

In Colorado, remember, the women vote as well as the men.

In the fall of 1910 a man named Smith was running for sheriff against a man named Jones. One evening just before election, Smith rode up to the barn-yard of an old farmer. The farmer was milking a cow, and was having difficulty with a lousy calf that continually tried to "butt in." The candidate, to gain the favor of the farmer, took the calf between his legs and held it until the milking was done. He then introduced himself: "I am Mr. Smith, the Republican candidate for sheriff of the county. I suppose you know the man who's running against me?"

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