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Agricultural Resources of the Province Are Admirably Set Forth

Display in All Lines of Fruit, Vegetables and Live Stock at the Dominion Fair Better Than Any Previous Show--County Exhibits a Striking Feature--What Has Been Done Under an Energetic Agricultural Department.

In no department of the great Dominion Exhibition is there better evidence of the progress of the province as shown by its superior class of exhibits as compared with previous years than among the fruit vegetables and county exhibits.

A few years ago it was the custom to hold the exhibitions much later in the autumn in order to collect a representative exhibit of the agricultural resources of the province. If an exhibition had been held in this city as early in the autumn as now, there would not have been enough material to fill one-half of the space occupied by the agricultural display this year.

In live stock the limit was a few pens and cattle sheds partly filled with animals of fair class, but almost any foreign bred animal could be almost sure of capturing all the prizes in the class he entered because there were few if any animals in this province which could compete with him.

The province is fortunate, however, in having at the head of affairs now a government which has taken an active interest in agriculture and has lost no opportunity to benefit the farmer stock breeder or fruit grower. In live stock the strain of blood has been improved by wise importations of blooded animals and the result of this wise policy is seen in the splendid exhibits at the fair today. In live stock, cattle and horses, the show is the finest ever made here, and the success of the government's policy with the fruit raisers is seen in the fact that New Brunswick this year beats Nova Scotia in the apples shown which is most unusual.

In small fruits also there is an excellent exhibit. In fact, if any additional evidence is required of the fertility of the acres of this province, it is found in the splendid display which is attracting so much attention in the agricultural hall.

The County Exhibits. The county exhibits are a feature of the agricultural display, and in many ways they afford a better chance to judge of the merits of the aggressive agricultural policy of the government than the general agricultural show, where the specimens are more distinctly classified, but do not present as good a collective effect. Victoria, York, Albert, St. John, Queens and Kings and Charlotte are the counties represented at the fair.

In the display of fruit, the best products of the farms are selected for competition and to a degree this is true of the county displays, but the fact remains that the county shows more nearly represent the resources of the counties represented.

Victoria County. The Victoria county exhibit is the first to catch the eye as the visitor enters the agricultural hall and the advantage has been taken of the location to make a most effective display. The exhibit is in charge of Donald Innes, of Tobique, himself one of the most progressive farmers of the province, and it is largely due to his energy and labor that the county is so well represented.

The Victoria county show is particularly strong in grains and grasses. Not less than 15 varieties of grain are shown in the shed and there is half a bushel of threshed grain of each variety to correspond. There are also fine showings of lax grass, alfalfa, clover, timothy, yellow and red clover and wild grasses. In vegetables there is a good showing of beans, turnips, potatoes, onions, sugar beets, and all lines of garden produce. In fruits the county also makes a good showing, apples and small fruits being displayed in attractive style. In bottled fruits there are 8 varieties shown.

The grain is the particular feature of this exhibit. The wheat is particularly well headed out and Mr. Innes says this will be heavy this year. He does not think that the province will ever be able to grow much grain for export, but does not see why every farmer should not grow enough for his own use. Most of the grain in the exhibit was taken from Mr. Innes' farm and he says he expects to have in the vicinity of 1000 bushels this year.

Albert County. Albert county makes a particularly good showing of grain in the straw and also some of the threshed article, but in this respect does not show as many varieties as Victoria county. Albert however, shines in fruit and some mammoth fodder corn. In fruit there is a very fine display, apples forming the greater part of it. There are also some luscious looking grapes. Green vegetables and garden truck also show up well and in all the exhibit is a fine one well representative of the county. Albert county has already gained a reputation for its general farming land and the exhibit is a most creditable one to the exhibitors as well as a good advertisement for the aggressive policy of the agricultural department.

Charlotte County. That the County of Charlotte which has a vast variety of resources is not behind in agriculture is evident to all visitors who look at the fine exhibit which is representative of this county. Charlotte county farmers are good stock raisers as well. The showing is fringed with grain in the straw, some of the designs being in a class that would make the farmer think twice before deciding to remove to the west which has been called the great bread raising section of the Dominion. Charlotte county can do some things in the bread raising line herself and this is abundantly proven in the exhibit shown. In addition to the grain there

is also a fine showing of fruits and vegetables. Some especially good squash and pumpkins are shown as well as the peculiar looking gourd squash.

York County. York county exhibit bears the motto, "We Grow For Quality." This is precisely true, but it is certain that this county is not out of the running when it comes to size as well. Potatoes are the principal feature of the exhibit and in this line there are no better shown. In fruits the county also makes a good show and the apples are features of the display. There are also some fine specimens of bottled fruits and some very good plums.

St. John County. For a seaboard county, St. John makes a particularly good showing. There are some fine field roots, and some especially good pumpkins. Fruit lines are also well represented, and an interesting feature of the display is a cantaloupe, representing a new departure in fruit culture in this county. The specimen shown while small, is luscious and gives promise of successful maturity. In greenstuffs the exhibit is strong in cabbage and there is a very good collection of Scottish kale. The exhibit is nicely arranged in front of the display, the letters of the words St. John, being formed by blueberries on a background of cranberries.

Kings County. While Kings county does not make a large showing of fruit like some of the other counties, it is particularly well represented in vegetables. All lines of table vegetables being shown in good quantity. In fruit there is a good showing of melons, blackberries and apples.

Queens County. While Queens county was not entered in the county competition, there is nevertheless a good showing. Prize-winning vegetables and fruits are displayed very largely, arranged by Mr. S. L. Peters, of Queenstown, and is a credit to his discriminating judgment.

Fruits. The fruit exhibit which occupies space in the Agricultural Hall adjoining a very fine display of vegetables, is in the opinion of the Agricultural Department, New Brunswick has ever put up. Fruit growers generally admit that this had been a backward season, late June frosts did much damage, and as the display was not ready until three weeks later than usual. Yesterday among the visitors of the fair were two Texan fruit growers as well as an Ontario farmer who had had much experience in the Niagara Peninsula. They made a careful examination of the fruit shown and afterwards expressed the opinion that had the fair been held a month later New Brunswick's display would be far superior to anything the Peninsula could produce, while the Texan gentlemen were quite outspoken in their belief that anything finer could not be found in the Southern States.

In former years New Brunswick had to yield the palm to Nova Scotia when it came to fruit growing, but this year New Brunswick and Nova Scotia fruit collections are shown side by side and it is a notable fact that the New Brunswick growers have carried off most of the premiums.

The St. John Valley and Small Fruits. A very fine display of plums is shown in all varieties and it is the opinion of the judges that anything better has never grown in the Maritime Provinces. Some fine specimens of grapes, peaches and pears are also shown. In pears the Flemish beauties attracted considerable attention. New Brunswick has always been prominent as an apple producing county and New Brunswick apples of the best known brands have appeared favorably in the English market orchards. The display in apples is a special feature of the exhibit and there is a section in the regulations which prevents the use of immature fruit and this taken with the early date of the fair and the interest of the season, might naturally be expected to militate against the successful exhibit of this nature. All kinds of apples shown are very fine quality and good size. Such well known varieties as Red Astrakhan, New Brunswick's and Wealthy's, are shown in abundance.

In apples boxed for transportation, probably the best show is made by S. L. Peters of Queenstown. Mr. Peters shows two boxes ready for

shipment to British markets and they make a remarkable fine showing when it is considered that New Brunswick as an apple centre has just commenced to attract attention. A section of the exhibit is given up to fruit from Nova Scotia and in this is shown specimens of plums, peaches and apples as well as specimens of preserved fruits.

Taken altogether the fruit and vegetable display as well as the county exhibits furnish conclusive evidence of the fruitfulness of the New Brunswick farms.

Vegetables. The exhibit of vegetables is a fine one, and shows what can be done in New Brunswick farms when the farmer has the experience and the desire to make good. New Brunswick is already noted for its potatoes, which have won a high place in the Cuban market, and the potato exhibit this year in quality, variety and quantity is too early to do justice to the province in this class as they are but partly grown. However, the season considered, the display is very creditable, and illustrates how well all classes of field roots can be grown in this province.

In table vegetables there is a good exhibit. In carrots there may be some criticism on the score of overgrowth, as some of the specimens shown are too large to be the best judging from the standpoint of marketable quality.

There is a small exhibit of field carrots, but the showing made is very creditable to the growers. In cabbage there is a good display, but the celery is particularly excellent. The field corn shown is inclined to be soft, as it has not had opportunity to mature. This would, of course, have been remedied if the fair date was later.

There are not many competitors in the onion classes, but the showing both of table and pickling onions is a fairly good one. In peas there is a fairly good exhibit, both of dried and green varieties.

Taken in all the exhibit of vegetables is a good one and while a much better showing could have been made at a later date, yet the specimens on view will be the best judging from the standpoint of marketable quality.

The Percherons also made a fine showing. In thoroughbred horses there were some splendid animals. One of the Provincial Government imported horses did well with them, as they easily topped the list in their classes. In coach horses the entry list was not large, but the animals shown were very fine.

Taken altogether the horse show is a fine feature of the fair, and the horse stalls are a favorite attraction for visitors.

The cattle show is a particularly good one in dairy cattle. Beef cattle show up very well, but the competition is not as large, there being fewer herds represented. Altogether, the exhibit shows that New Brunswick is fast coming into her own as a cattle country, and it is also shown by the fact that in almost every case where New Brunswick herds came into competition with those from other provinces the New Brunswick animals in almost every case prove their superiority.

The new cattle sheds are better than any shown heretofore, every care has been taken with the animals on exhibition, they have been the center of attraction almost from the start, and Thursday, the fine weather being particularly auspicious for inspecting live stock facilities, found the cattle sheds crowded.

In the dairy cattle the most interesting show is made by Ayrshires, there being eight herds. In this class McIntyre Bros. of Sussex, were particularly successful, capturing both prizes. They showed 25 animals and their herd was noted for its size, uniformity and as producers. M. H. Parlow, of Lower Mills, showed 18 animals, winning 3rd in a herd prize and taking a number of individual prizes as well. The outside competitor was P. D. McArthur, of North George Co., Que., who secured 2nd prize in the competition for breeders, and altogether made a good show of animals. For competitors were James Barrett & Sons, of Crouville, Retson Bros. of Truro, C. P. Blanchard of Truro, S. Creighton, of Silver Falls, and Charles Symes of Minville.

The Ayrshire herd attracted most attention, and old cattle men say that never was there such a competition, there were no outstanding winners. In Jersey's there was good competition. A feature of this class was the presence of a fine herd of Ontario Jer-

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Murray and Gregory, Ltd., are the local agents for the Standard Paint Company of Canada, Ltd., Montreal, and have a large display of the old and reliable Ruberoid Roofing, Ruberoid Flooring, Insulating Papers and other products manufactured by the above well known concern. The roof of their booth is covered with Ruberoid Red Roofing, over which there is a continuous flow of water suggesting the waterproofing qualities of the fabric. The manufacturers representative, Mr. E. H. Cunningham, is looking after this end of the exhibit and will be pleased to meet all his Ruberoid customers, who should happen to be taking in the fair.

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Shown by Maritime Garage Co, Sackville, at Entrance to Transportation Building. One of the most valuable exhibits in transportation hall this year, and one that is attracting widespread attention, is the famous Thomas Flyer Champion Endurance Car of the world which is being shown by the Maritime Garage Company, of Sackville, N. B. The Thomas car attained world wide fame in 1908, when it easily won the New York to Paris world endurance race. Practically everyone is more or less familiar with the fact of the great race. The Thomas car left New York and went to Alaska, losing three weeks on the route, and thereby giving its competitors this great handicap. It crossed to Japan and toured through Manchuria, stopping on its way to pull some of its higher priced competitors out of holes where they had become disabled. A throng of visitors stopped yesterday to carefully examine and admire this handsome car, and a trip to the exhibition would not be complete if one failed to take it in. It occupies a prominent space at the main entrance to the building, and is in charge of a courteous representative of the firm, who is always ready to explain to visitors its different points and advantages. It was brought here from the regular stock in Sackville of the Maritime Garage Co., who are agents for the Maritime Province. This company have for sale other models of cars with or without fore doors, for five or seven passengers, and which are sold in every province of the Dominion. No one should miss seeing this car as it is undoubtedly one of the finest offered to the public in this province.

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