

rector Dominion Swine Breeders' Association; Director Provincial Winter Fair.

Major John A. McGillivray, Toronto, Director Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association; Director American Sheep Breeders' Association.

J. W. Wheaton, Toronto, editor "FARMING."

The following resolution was moved by D. G. Hanmer, seconded by Peter Christie, and carried: That this committee, composed of representative stockmen, are unanimously in favor of the plan outlined at the directors' meetings of the Live Stock Associations to extend interprovincial trade in purebred live stock, and consider it most important that, in the interests of the country generally, Government assistance should be given in order to energetically pursue the policy laid down.

The committee waited on the cabinet at 2.15 p.m., Thursday, March 15th, 1899.

The points brought to the notice of the Government were: The general plan as outlined; the growth and present work of the associations; history of the lists of stock for sale and how published; that breeders and importers of purebred live stock have not made money out of their business in proportion to the benefit the country at large has received from their work; the desirability of extending the lists of stock for sale.

#### GENERAL OUTLINE.

It is proposed that the Government set aside \$1,000 to be used by the Live Stock Associations in extending interprovincial trade in purebred live stock. This will be done by publishing monthly a list of stock each member of the Live Stock Associations has for sale, and placing the list in the hands of all farmers and breeders throughout Canada. During the past year considerable work has been done in this direction by the associations with the funds now at their disposal, but with an additional sum much more work can be done which will be of great value to this province.

One of the great detriments to the rank and file of the farmers going into the business of raising purebred stock is that they cannot procure purchasers for their stock at remunerative prices—they cannot get more for them than they can for grades. The reason for this is the smaller breeder has not enough stock to advertise extensively, and, therefore, it is not known that he has thoroughbred stock for sale. The scheme proposed will provide the means by which the smaller breeder can get rid of his stock, neighboring farmers will see that the purebred stock is sold, and will be willing to raise more themselves. This will eventually raise the standard of all stock raised in the country.

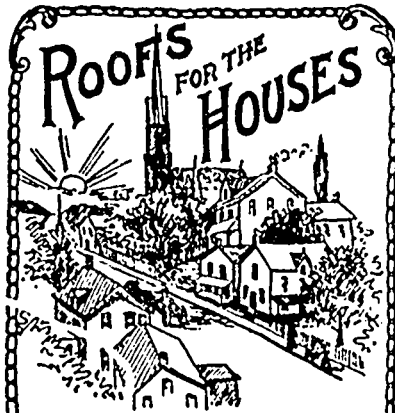
It is a fact at the present time in the Montreal market American cattle are worth from one cent to one and a half cents more than Canadian cattle. The associations propose to publish the Breeders' Directory, one in the east and one in the west, also to continue the one already published in Ontario. The directory will be published in papers having the largest circulation in the district in which they are published. Any member of an association will have the privilege of advertising monthly all over Canada the stock he has for sale.

#### GROWTH AND PRESENT WORK OF THE ASSOCIATIONS.

In 1894 the Cattle Breeders' Association was organized. There was, however, practically no membership. During the year 1895 the association was re-organized, and during the remainder of that year and in 1896 a membership of 84 was obtained. In 1898 the membership had increased to 99.

The Sheep Breeders' Association was organized in 1890. The membership at that time was 53 and the receipts \$303. In 1896 the membership was 61 and the receipts \$1,619.13. In 1898 the membership had increased to 94.

The Swine Breeders' Association was organized in 1891. The membership at that time was 40. In 1896 the membership was 240, and in 1898 369. During the year 1898 the lists of stock for sale were published in Ontario. During the years from 1890 to 1896 special efforts were each year made to



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