## Stock Breeders' Committee Meetings.

The meetings of representatives of stock bredeers' associations, announced to be held in Toronto, March 23rd to 26th, were well attended. A lively interest was manifested in each, and much business of a practical nature was transacted. The outlook in all lines of stock raising appears encouraging. The directors of the

DOMINION CATTLE BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION

met in the Palmer House, Toronto, on Tuesday, March 23rd. There were present the President, John I. Hobson, Mosboro; Vice-President, J. C. Snell, Snelgrove; F. W. Hodson, Secretary, Guelph; Arthur Johnston, Greenwood; Robert Miller, Brougham; Wm. Rolph, Markham; D. McCrae, Guelph; R. Gibson, Delaware; G. W. Clemons, St. George; Prof. G. E Day, Guelph; H. Wade, Toronto; A. Stone, Guelph.

Verbal reports were given by Mr. Hobson and Mr. Johnston on behalf of the Tariff and Transportation Committees. Mr. Johnston referred at some length to the impeded schedule of freight rates and classification which the railroads had conceded in response to the representations of the Committee, and which were published in the last issue of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

The Secretary suggested that an effort should be made to secure reduced rates for carloads of pure-bred stock to Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, similar to those obtained for shipments to Manitoba and the Northwest.

Mr. G. S. McDonald, Montreal, addressed the meeting at considerable length, explaining the results of his investigations on the subject of railway tariffs and classification, condemning the extraordinary discrepancy between the rates charged for small shipments of live stock as compared with carload lots, small lots being listed in 1st class and car lots in 9th class, and claiming that the difference should not be more than from 40 to 100 per cent.

An executive committee was appointed, to consist of Messrs. J. I. Hobson, J. C. Snell, A. Johnston, D. McCrae, and the Secretary. The same committee to be the programme and transportation committee.

Messrs. John I. Hobson and J. C. Snell were appointed to represent the Cattle Breeders' Association on the joint board of directors of the winter show.

Mr. McCrae and the Secretary were appointed a committee to urge upon the Government, in case a Dominion agriculturist or live stock commissioner be appointed, he shall be a man well acquainted with the live stock interests of the country.

The rules governing the winter show and the prize list for cattle were revised. The Shorthorn Breeders' Association agreed to duplicate the prizes offered for steers, and to duplicate a sweepstakes prize in the grade class for the best steer any age, if won by a grade Shorthorn.

On motion, separate classes were granted for Hereford and Polled Angus cattle, and a committee was appointed to arrange a prize list for these and the Galloway and Devon classes. The prize list for dairy cattle will be prepared by the representatives of dairy and dairy breeders' associations.

The following gentlemen were appointed as judges of cattle at the Winter Show: T. Crawford, M.P.P., Toronto; R. Miller, Brougham; James Smith, Brantford, referee.

The reports of the Treasurer and Secretary were received, and a committee was appointed to consider the suggestions for new work and to report at a future meeting.

The Secretary's report referred to was a joint one for the three associations, and contained a comprehensive account of the objects of the organizations and what they had accomplished for the live stock interests in the matter of exhibitions, transportation rates, etc. The British embargo, the abolition of the U. S. quarantine, records, and other subjects were referred to at length. A number of suggestions *re* future work were made. Accompanying the report was a detailed history of the Provincial Fat Stock and Dairy Show. The financial statement for the Cattle Breeders' Association (1895-96) showed receipts $1,642.13 (including legislative grant of $1,500), expenditure $496.29; Sheep Breeders' Association (1896), receipts $1,816 15 ($1,500 grant included), expenditures $1,468.91; Swine Breeders' Association (1896), receipts $2.752 68 ($1,200 grant included), expenditures $1,387.67.

Messrs. H. J. Hill, Toronto, and Wm. Linton, Aurora, addressed the meeting on the desirability of asking the Government to invite delegates from the Argentine Republic to visit our autumn shows to see our stock, with a view to opening up a trade with the people of that country in pure-bred stock. The matter was left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

DOMINION SHEEP BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION.

The directors of the Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association met on Wednesday, March 24, at the Palmer House. Present: Mr. James Tolton, President, Walkerton; D. G. Hanmer, Vice-President, Burford; John Jackson, Abingdon; J. C. Snell, Snelgrove; R. H. Harding, Thorndale; G. E. Day, Guelph; H. Arkell, Arkell; John T. Gibson, Denfield; Wm. Smith, Fairfield Plains; John Kelly, Shakespeare; J. I. Hobson, Mosboro; R. Gibson, Delaware.

Verbal reports from the Transportation Committee were given by Messrs. Hanmer and Hobson.

A resolution *re* the Prince of Wales prize was adopted, urging upon the Ontario Minister of Agriculture the desirability of granting this prize to only live stock associations of a Provincial character, namely, the Dominion Horse, Cattle, Sheep and Swine Breeders' Associations.

The following gentlemen were appointed delegates to represent the Sheep Breeders' Association on the Board of the Winter Show: Messrs. John Jackson, D. G. Hanmer, and R. H. Harding.

A motion was adopted instructing the delegates to the Toronto Industrial and Western Fair Boards to ask for the appointment of competent superintendents of the sheep department at their fairs.

The rules governing the department of sheep and the prize list for the Winter Show were revised. All sheep in the pure-bred classes must be bred in Canada or the United States. Sections were added to the first six classes, giving prizes for the best three ewe lambs, and the prizes in the sheep department were increased by about $230.

The following judges were appointed for the sheep classes at the Winter Show: *Cotswolds.*—J. G. Snell, Jos. Gaunt; E. Parkinson, referee. *Shropshires.*—Mortimer Levering or W. H. Beattie, H Arkell, Teeswater; Wm. Martin, referee. *Southdowns.*—Wm. Martin, H. Arkell; M. Levering, referee. *Oxfords.*—H. Arkell, M. Levering; Wm. Martin, referee. *Dorsets and Merinos.*—M Levering, H. Arkell; Wm. Martin, referee. *Hampshires and Suffolks.*—M. Levering, H. Arkell; Wm. Martin, referee. *Grades and Crosses.*—J. G. Snell, H. Arkell; J. Gaunt, referee.

Mr. R. Gibson, in a strong speech, urged the importance of asking the Government to make enquiry as to means and cost of transportation of breeding stock to Argentina, and the best methods of placing them on the market and selling them there. This he considers a much wiser way to spend public money than in paying expenses of delegates here.

SWINE BREEDERS.

The directors of the Swine Breeders' Association met at the Palmer House on Thursday, March 25th. Present: J. E. Brethour, Burford, President; Geo. Green, Fairview, Vice-President; J. C. Snell, Snelgrove; Thomas Teasdale, Concord; Andrew Elliot, Galt; G. B. Hood, Guelph; William Jones, Zenda; W. E. Butler, Dereham Center. The following were appointed an executive committee: J. E. Brethour, Geo. Green, J. C. Snell, and G. B. Hood. The same committee was named as the programme committee on the transportation committee. Representatives appointed to the Winter Fair Board were the President, Vice-President, and Andrew Elliot.

In response to letters from Mr. G. H. H. Greig, Secretary of the Manitoba Sheep and Swine Breeders' Association, it was agreed that members of that Association be allowed to register stock on payment of the same fees as members of the Dominion Swine Breeders' Association, and a grant of $100 was donated to the Manitoba Sheep and Swine Breeders' Association, to be offered in prizes at the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition for swine registered in the Dominion Swine Record; the Dominion Association to be given credit for these prizes in the prize list of the Winnipeg Exhibition.

The committee appointed at the annual meeting to devise a scheme whereby fair boards may be asked to charge for space instead of per head of swine, reported recommending that one dollar per pen of space 7 by 9 feet be charged by the Toronto Industrial, and fifty cents at the other large exhibitions, such as Montreal, Ottawa, and London. The report was adopted.

In the revision of the rules and prize list for the Winter Show, the entry fee was fixed at 50 cents for each entry, instead of $1 for each animal as formerly. All animals competing for prizes must have been bred in Canada or the U. S. The prizes for Tamworths and Duroc-Jerseys were made equal with those for the other breeds, and a section was added to each class, giving three prizes, of $15, $10, and $5, for the best three bacon pigs weighing from 150 to 200 pounds, to be judged by a committee to be selected by the Swine Breeders' committee of the Winter Fair Board after consulting with the pork packers.

Judges appointed for swine at the winter show: Chester Whites, Poland-Chinas, Duroc-Jerseys, and Grades—J. Featherstone, M. P., J. E. Brethour; J. C. Snell, reserve. Berkshires, Yorkshires, Tamworths, Suffolks, and Essex—Thos. Teasdale, Wm. Jones; Andrew Elliot, reserve.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were received and referred to the Executive to deal with.

ONTARIO FAT STOCK SHOW.

The directors of the Provincial Winter Fair met at the Palmer House, Friday, March 26th, present being Messrs. G. W. Clemons, John I. Hobson, J. C Snell, representing the Dominion Cattle Breeders' Association; John Jackson, D. G. Hanmer, and R. H. Harding, representing the Sheep Breeders' Association; J. E. Brethour, Geo Green, and Andrew Elliott, representing the Dominion Swine Breeders' Association; Hon. Thos. Ballantyne, Harold Eagle, representing the Dairy Association of Western Ontario; R. J. Murphy, Henry Wade, representing the Eastern Dairymen's Association. Mr. John I. Hobson was elected President; J. C. Snell, Vice-President, and F. W. Hodson, Secretary-Treasurer.

The rules and regulations governing the show and the prize list were revised. The selection of the place for holding the Fat Stock and Dairy Show was decided by ballot and resulted in the choice of Brantford. Guelph, Stratford, London, and Lindsay also asked for it. The dates fixed were Dec. 7th, 8th and 9th.

The prize list in the dairy department was amended by giving separate classes for Jerseys and Guernseys, the prizes to be the same as last year. The judges in the milking test will be R. G. Murphy, Prof. Day, and J. C. Snell.

The following special prizes have been donated to the Provincial Fat Stock and Dairy Show:—

By the Shorthorn Breeders' Association—$120 to duplicate the prizes in the class for Shorthorns; $20 for championship prize for best grade steer sired by a registered Shorthorn bull; $10 to duplicate the prizes to Shorthorn cows in the milk test in dairy department.

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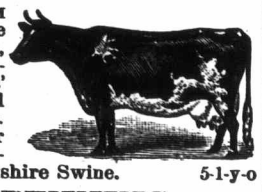

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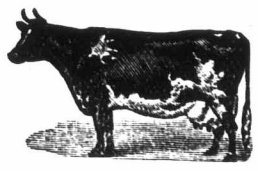

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