

Reports of the Meetings of Canadian Live Stock and Agricultural Associations.

THE WORLD'S COMMITTEE.

The World's Columbian Exhibition committee for the province of Ontario met in the rooms of the Agriculture and Arts Association at 2 o'clock, p.m., November 25th, 1891. Members present: Ira Morgan, J. C. Snell, Edmonton; Albin Rawlings, Forest; Robert Vance, Ida, President of the Agriculture and Arts Association; R. Gibson, Delaware, President of the Shorthorn Breeders' Association; John Jackson, Abingdon; Mr. N. Awrey, M. P. P., Binbrook, and F. W. Hodson, London. Mr. Awrey, the chairman, called the meeting to order. After much discussion and deliberation the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted, and addressed to the board of the Agriculture and Arts Association:—

PREAMBLE.

Whereas the members of the World's Columbian Exhibition to be held in Chicago in 1893 will in all probability be the greatest aggregation of live stock and agricultural products that has ever been brought together on the American continent, it is of the utmost importance to this province that a good representation of its products should be made on that occasion. The selection of Chicago, the great live stock emporium of the world, as the place for holding the exhibition is one especially favorable to the interests of Canadian stockmen, as the demand for our improved stock is mainly from the great Western States and Territories, and in making preparation to exhibit at Chicago our stockmen will be taking their stock right into its natural market. Canada has long been and is likely to be in the future the principal breeding ground from which the farmers and breeders of the United States look for first-class animals to replenish their herds and flocks, and this exhibition will afford an opportunity which may not occur again in a century to demonstrate to the world the facilities of this country to produce animals of the highest merit as to breeding, quality and vigor of constitution, as well as our ability to exhibit in all departments products unexcelled for excellence. Be it therefore resolved that in order to carry out efforts to a successful issue the following recommendations be adopted:

RESOLUTIONS.

- 1st. That the Dominion Government be asked to provide for all expenditures in connection with the transportation, care and maintenance of all the exhibits from the time of shipping until the return of the same.
 - 2nd. That the Dominion Government be asked to provide for the insurance of the live stock from time of shipment to return.
 - 3rd. That the Ontario Government be asked to appoint a Provincial Commissioner, who shall devote his attention to securing a complete exhibit in every department, and who shall represent the province at Chicago.
 - 4th. That the Ontario Government be asked to appropriate at least \$19,000 to be offered as prizes to live stock and poultry from this province, the above sum to be divided amongst the various classes in the same proportion as at last Provincial Exhibition.
 - 5th. That the Ontario Government be asked to confirm the appointment of sub-commissioners elected by the Board, one for each of the following classes, namely: Horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, poultry, agricultural products, horticultural products, and the dairy, who shall select the exhibits to represent their various departments, said sub-commissioners to be selected either from this Board or someone of the existing live stock associations, all expenses incurred by the sub-commissioners in their duties to be paid by the Ontario Government.
 - 6th. All entries to be made through the Secretary of the Agriculture and Arts Association on forms provided for the purpose.
- The members of the committee were very enthusiastic and unanimous in their work. All the gentlemen present regretted very much the fact that they were not allowed to recommend as Commissioner one of the gentlemen present. That gentleman was the chairman of the committee, Mr. N. Awrey. Some of the members were quite determined to move a resolution recommending the Ontario Government to appoint that gentleman, but he steadfastly refused to have his name brought forward, and insisted that the Ontario Government be left free to select their Commissioner where they pleased. Notwithstanding, the prominent gentlemen present were unanimous in their opinion that Mr. Awrey should be appointed. He possesses in a marked degree the qualities to make a successful Commissioner. His executive abilities are very good—one of the prime requirements in filling such a position. He is eminently a fair-minded man, and honorable. Though gentlemanly, his inclination to handle "boodlers" without gloves is well known. He is a man of strong convictions and possesses the moral courage to carry out these convictions. The farmers of the province have long recognized him as a man worthy of trust. He has for several years ably represented a rural constituency in the Local Legislature, and for three years he has been on the Board of the Agriculture and Arts Association, and for the last two years has been President of the Central Farmers' Institute, thereby representing upwards of 10,000 farmers. We are sure we are voicing the views of the province at large, and especially the farmers, when we say that his appointment as Chief

Commissioner to represent this province at the great fair soon to be opened would be received with satisfaction. The appointment of sub-commissioners is also an important task. None but practical and honorable men who possess much executive ability should be selected.

The World's Fair Committee of the Agriculture and Arts Association, together with representatives of the various stock breeders' associations, met again at Guelph Dec. 9th. The following were present:—N. Awrey, Binbrook (chairman); R. Gibson, Delaware; A. Rawlings, Forest; R. Vance, Ida; J. C. Snell, Edmonton; Ira Morgan, Metcalfe; F. W. Hodson, London; J. Fetherston, Streetsville; J. C. Rykert, St. Catharines; J. Jackson, Abingdon, and Henry Wade, Secretary, Toronto.

The minutes of former meeting were read and confirmed.

The Secretary submitted prize lists for Ontario live stock at the World's Columbian Exposition to be held in Chicago in 1893, which he had prepared under instructions given at a former meeting of the Committee. The prize list was discussed section by section, and after some amendments were made, it was adopted.

The sum of \$1,220 was given in prizes to each of the following breeds of horses:—Thoroughbreds, Hackneys, Coach horses, Clydesdales, Shires and Suffolk Punch; \$945 each to breeds of cattle, viz., Shorthorns, Herefords and Ayrshires, and \$703 each to Galloways, Devons, Jerseys and Holstein cattle; \$330 to each of the following breeds of sheep:—Cotswolds, Leicesters, Lincolns, Southdowns, Shropshires, Oxford Downs and Dorset Horns; \$330 to each of the following breeds of swine:—Berkshires, Improved Yorkshires, Poland China, Chester Whites, Essex, Tamworths.

It was moved by C. Rykert, seconded by J. C. Snell, that the words "and poultry" be struck out of the resolution passed at the last meeting wherever they occur. Carried.

The chairman called upon Mr. Gibson to give a report concerning his interview with Hon. John Carling, Minister of Agriculture, respecting the World's Fair. In reply, Mr. Gibson said: "I heard that Mr. Carling was in London and I took the opportunity to meet him. He expressed himself in this way: 'That until we presented our views to him in definite shape he would not give any answer as to what the Dominion Government were prepared to do. When we were ready and had arranged what we wanted he would be glad to meet a delegation to learn what was really required. He seemed to think it a little premature to talk about the matter now, 1893 being a long time to look forward to. But when I see the stockmen, not only of this continent, but the whole world, working hard to get their stock into proper condition, it seems to me if the men of Ontario are to win prizes the work must begin at once.' After discussion on the subject, it was moved by A. Rawlings, seconded by J. Jackson, that N. Awrey, R. Gibson and R. Vance be a committee to wait upon Hon. Mr. Carling and present to him the wishes of the Committee concerning the Dominion Government, as set forth in the resolution passed at the last meeting. The meeting adjourned.

AGRICULTURE AND ARTS ASSOCIATION

met at Guelph, Dec. 10. Members present: Ira Morgan, Metcalfe; Joshua Lepp, Gananoque; James Haggarty, West Huntingdon; Robt. Vance, Ida; J. C. Snell, Edmonton; N. Awrey, M. P. P., Binbrook; J. C. Rykert, St. Catharines; Wm. Dawson, Victoria; James Rowand, M. P., Dunblane; C. M. Simmons, Ivan; Albin Rawlings, Forest; Jonathan Evans, Crown Hill, and the Secretary, H. Wade, Toronto. Correspondence was read from the city of Kingston, Midland Central Fair and county of Frontenac agricultural societies, as well as a long petition from thirty-seven reeves and deputy-reeves from counties adjoining Kingston, asking that the Provincial Exhibition be held in Kingston in 1892. A deputation consisting of the Mayor of Kingston, Mr. Drennan, Ald. Hardy, representing the merchants, and Robert Meek, late secretary of the Midland Central Fair, was then introduced. They stated their case, asking that the Provincial be held there, and that the cattle be chosen at it to go to the World's Fair at Chicago. The delegation then left, and a resolution was carried asking the Provincial Government for \$5,000, four members voting against it; if the Legislature vote this grant the next Provincial will be held in Kingston. The following report of the finance committee was presented by Mr. N. Awrey, M. P. P.:

Your Finance Committee, after careful consideration, have decided to ask the following appropriations. Your Committee have kept our ordinary expenditure within the narrowest possible limits, but realize that in view of abnormal expenditures in the near future our wants will be largely augmented. You will notice that an appropriation of Chicago's World's Exposition is being asked for; but at the same time you will bear in mind that the year 1893. In order to ensure confidence amongst the breeders throughout the province, your Committee have deemed it advisable to ask the Legislature to make appropriation for the incoming year, as an incentive to exhibitors to prepare exhibits for the Columbian Exposition:—

Spring and fat stock shows.....	\$1,500
Ploughing matches.....	600
Expenses of Council.....	500
Printing.....	500
Salaries.....	700
Prize farms.....	250
	\$1,220

Your Committee would recommend that a sum

not to exceed \$1,000 be granted to the Dominion Shorthorn Breeders' Association to complete the printing of old pedigrees.

Your Committee would further recommend that the following sums be asked re expenses:—Columbian Exposition, selecting stock, etc., \$2,000; for prizes to be given in Chicago or elsewhere from Ontario, per schedule proposed by World's Fair Committee, \$19,000, all of which is respectfully submitted.

In accordance with resolutions of your Council, your Committee have added the following for the Provincial Exhibition: \$5,000.

Carried. N. AWREY, Chairman.
Mr. John I. Hobson, Mosborough, and James Bigelow, Port Perry, were appointed auditors.

The report of the four provincial ploughing matches were read and accepted.

It was decided that a fat stock show be held in 1892, and that \$1,000 be granted towards it. The reports of the prize farms' judges was read and adopted and ordered to be printed, and it was decided to go on with the work next year.

It was also resolved that the Secretary commence printing at an early date the 1st vol. of the Dominion Swine Record, containing the pedigrees of the different breeds of swine in the same book, keeping each breed separate, in accordance with a resolution passed at a swine breeders' meeting held March 14, 1890, and that all parties recording swine in the different records of the Agriculture and Arts Records after the 1st of January next be charged double fees, unless they join the Swine Breeders' Associations. The Secretary was ordered to print not more than 400 copies of a book to cost not more than \$1.00 each.

The Secretary was also authorized to print the 6th vol. of the Clydesdale book.

The Secretary was also authorized to employ a stenographer and typewriter to assist him in his work.

A committee, consisting of J. C. Rykert, N. Awrey, M. P. P., R. Vance, Richard Gibson and the Secretary, were appointed to wait on the Hon. John Carling re a grant from the Dominion Government for World's Fair as to transport and maintenance.

EXECUTIVE MEETING OF THE DOMINION SHEEP AND HOG BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Executive of the Sheep Breeders' Association met in Guelph, December the ninth, and instructed the Secretary to request the following gentlemen to prepare papers to be read before their next annual meeting, to be held in Toronto early in the month of February. The exact date is not yet fixed:—Mr. Henry Arkell, Teeswater, Ont.; Mr. Beverley Jeffs, Bond Head; Mr. John I. Hobson, Mosborough; Prof. James, Toronto; President James Mills, Guelph, Ont.; Mr. Richard Gibson, Delaware; Mr. James Tolton, Walkerton; Mr. J. C. Snell, Edmonton; Mr. W. S. Hawkshaw, Galt; Mr. T. C. Douglas, Galt; Mr. Andrew Telfer, Paris; Mr. John A. McGillivray, Toronto; and James Phin, Hespeler, Ont.

The Executive of the Dominion Hog Breeders' Association met at the same place, and on the same date, and decided to hold their annual meeting the day before or the day following that of the above named Association. The Secretary was instructed to request the following gentlemen to prepare papers to be read before their next annual meeting:—Dr. Cowan, Galt; J. C. Snell, Edmonton; J. J. Payne, Chatham, Ont.; Danl. DeCoursey, Bornholm; C. H. McNish, Markham; John Ackland, Delaware; Jos. E. Brethour, Burford; R. H. Harding, Thorndale; James Grant, Ingersoll; and E. D. George, Putnam.

HEREFORD BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION.

On December the 9th the annual meeting of the Canadian Hereford Breeders' Association convened. The president being absent Mr. F. A. Fleming was requested to take the chair. In his annual report the secretary stated that enough pedigrees were already received to warrant the Association in publishing their first volume. The following were elected officers for the ensuing year:

President, F. A. Fleming, Vice-President: J. R. Martin, for Ontario; Hon. H. M. Cochrane, for Quebec; Sir Donald A. Smith, for Manitoba. Directors—Messrs. A. Waldie, A. Stone, Jas. Cairns, Geo. Brent, H. D. Airth, D. Jackson, M. M. Boyd and James Cochrane. Secretary-Treasurer, H. Wade, Toronto.

CLYDESDALE.

A meeting of the Executive of the Clydesdale Association was held Monday, Dec. 21st, 1891, at Agricultural Hall, Toronto. Present, J. Bell, L'Amoureux; D. Sorby, Guelph; J. Duff, Everton; Robt. Miller, Jr., Brougham; Robert Graham, Claremont; Wm. Smith, Columbus, the President in the chair. A letter was read from Col. Otter, D. G., promising the use of the drill shed for the Stallion Show if used prior to March 15th. It was resolved that F. M. Tuckett, of Toronto, has in the opinion of this committee been found guilty of fraud in connection with the pedigree of the mare Gip, and that Mr. Tuckett be expelled from membership of this Association, and that his signature be not taken as authority in connection with pedigrees handed us for registration.

This motion, subject to the approval of the annual meeting, was adopted.

It was resolved to ask the Agriculture and Arts Association to grant the sum of \$200 and a gold medal towards the prize list for Clydesdale horses to be awarded at the Spring Show, and that the additional amounts be made up by this Association. The appointment of judges was left till the annual meeting, which is to be held about the second week in February.