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## Editorial.

### QUEBEC PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

[The following notice was unavoidably crowded out of our last issue.]

Our sister Province of Quebec had successful Exhibition in Montreal, commencing Sept. 13th. It was held on the new fair grounds northwest of the city, at the base of Mount Royal, where temporary structures have been erected, and a variety of excellent improvements in the way of fencing, levelling, and draining commenced. When put in complete order, this will be a most convenient spot for future Exhibitions.

On the whole the Show appears to have been a very successful and creditable one. In the horse classes, nearly two hundred entries were made, and a number of superior animals exhibited, mostly of the Clyde, Percheron, Normandy, Suffolk, and Canadian breeds. There were three imported stallions that attracted special attention; a Percheron owned by Mr. Wright of L'Assumption; a Suffolk imported by Mr. M. H. Cochrane, but now owned by the Huntingdon Live Stock Importing Society; and a "Coaching Stallion" imported by Mr. Hyndman, but now owned by the Society just named. The cattle classes were also well filled, and many choice specimens exhibited. In Short Horns, as might have been expected, Mr. Cochrane distanced all competition. His contribution to the Show consisted of nine recently imported animals, which though not the pick of his herd, are splendid creatures, looking remarkably well, although some of them had but just come off a sea voyage. The costliest of his animals, viz: Duke of Thorne-dale, Duchess 97, and Lady Grateful, the last named of which cost the immense sum of 1500 guineas were prudently left at home, it being hazardous to expose such precious freight to the uncertainties and risks of railroad journeying. The Ayrshires were in considerable force, the chief exhibitors being Messrs. Gibb, Whiting, Dawes and Irving,

all of whom have made valuable importations of these excellent dairy cattle. There were seven entries of Herefords, all good specimens of this too little appreciated breed. A few Devons were shown, but this class was not well represented, except by the prize-takers. Four ordinary-looking Galloways were on the ground. A fine lot of Jerseys, four males and seventeen females, were exhibited by Mr. Sheldon Stephens. Two prizes were given for the best herd. The first or Prince of Wales prize of \$60 was won by Mr. Cochrane, for his herd of Short Horns; the second, offered by the Bureau of Agriculture of \$50 was awarded to a herd of Ayrshires. There was a creditable display of sheep. Here as among the cattle, Mr. Cochrane was king. His magnificent imported Cotswolds were well represented, and some corn-bred sheep, bred by an admixture of Cotswold and Leicester blood, showed to good advantage. Of pigs there were 118 pens. The Suffolks and Yorkshires predominated as to number and were of good average quality. The Berkshire class was well filled, having in it some recent importations by Mr. Cochrane, of superior quality. The Poultry department was pretty well filled. Among the most noticeable of the birds were the imported Dark Brahmas exhibited by Mr. Sheldon Stephens. The array of implements was not so extensive as it might have been. Evans & Co were the chief contributors to this department. Messrs. Bulmer and Sheppard of Montreal, showed a brick machine in actual operation, which attracted much attention; so did also a small steam engine and screw, designed for a small propeller. The show of grain, roots and dairy products, was rather meagre, as was also the Industrial Department. In the latter Messrs. Forsyth and Mavor's assortment of domestic and monumental marbles were conspicuous. It also comprised a display of stoves and hollow-ware, some good specimens of carriage-work, a variety of sewing machines, and a lot of excellent household furniture. The Exhibition was a good and successful one, though held under difficulties arising out of the newness of the grounds, and the make-shift style of the buildings. It attracted an encouraging attendance, and will doubtless, if managed well, improve in all respects on coming occasions of the kind.