

Brandon Exhibition

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championship went to "Nesta," owned by A. Reid, while Roberts and Sons took first place in the class for three best mares.

Shires

As far as this breed was concerned there were only two representatives present, and only one of these would be recognized as a Shire outside of the show ring. John Graham's "Lambton Fashion," which took first, is a typical Shire, splendid, almost perfect in body but coarse in feet and legs. The second horse, "Lord Minto," owned by Martin Kelly, is quite a different type, fairly high set, much more rangy than Shire type usually suggests, but at the same time showing fair quality.

Belgians

Among the Belgians were some good animals, but the showing on the whole was weak, the placing being quite obvious in most cases. The breeders exhibiting were: W. C. Henderson, Carberry; R. P. Stanley, Moosomin; W. J. Mortson, Fairlight; A. P. Broach, Moosomin; Jos. Glenn, Moosomin; and John Crawford, Chater.

In aged stallions, Henderson's "Paul de Montignes," a big, outstanding fellow of fair quality, was first, and later champion. R. P. Stanley's "Indigne du Nord," having a fine top and fair quality but higher set than the first horse, took second place, while W. C. Henderson's "Artiste" came third.

In two year olds, "Barnum," owned by W. J. Mortson, was first and later was placed reserve champion; "Coat Donatis," owned by A. P. Broach, second, and "Duc de la Valle," owned by Jos. Glenn, third.

John Crawford showed the only Belgian mare.

Suffolks

The same bunch representing the Suffolk breed that was shown at Winnipeg came up for judgment at Brandon. This exhibit is owned by the Hawthorne Farm, Lake County, Ill., and includes the famous champion, "Mortson Sampson," one of the best representatives ever known of the Suffolk breed. Awards were similar to those of Winnipeg, with "Mortson Sampson" first, "Trimley Prince" second, and "Sudbourne Minstrel" third.

Cattle

The cattle exhibit was one which called forth extremely favorable comment on all sides, not only were the breeds well represented as regards numbers, but there was also present some of the very best blood on the North American continent. The Shorthorn exhibit last year was hard to beat, but this year the uniformity shown throughout was far in excess of anything seen heretofore in Brandon. It was a splendid picture which presented itself to the good cattleman's eye to see the ranks of blood stock lined up in competition for the herd prize for bull and four females. There were five different herds competing and the splendid fit, square, blocky, smooth type, together with the uniform quality, made a sight not easily forgotten. Dean Rutherford of Saskatoon, placed the ribbons and some of the exhibitors were Carpenter and Ross, Mansfield, Ohio; Yule and Bowes, Calgary; J. A. Watt, Elora, Ont.; W. H. English, Harding, and J. G. Barron, Carberry. It was extremely unfortunate that, owing to extreme illness, James Yule could not be present with Emmert's show herd and it is sincerely hoped by everyone that Mr. Yule will be able to pull thru this severe attack.

The aged bull class was a small one and "Craighill," owned by Carpenter and Ross, which was second at Winnipeg, went first in Brandon; second place was obtained by "Missie's Prince," owned by Yule and Bowes, and third by "Huntley Wood 5th," owned by J. B. Barron.

In two-year-olds "Lavender Scot," Watt's bull, was first; "Maxwalton Renown," owned by Carpenter and Ross, was second, and W. H. English's "Lord Waterloo 2nd" was third.

"Gainford Idol," Watt's senior year-

ling bull was placed over Barron's "Fairview Again," while in junior yearlings "Gainford Perfection," Watt's bull out of "Gainford Marquis," was easily top over "Maxwalton Revolution," owned by Carpenter and Ross. "Oak Bluff Banff," one of Yule and Bowes' bulls was a close third, with Carpenter and Ross' "Opportunity" fourth.

Space will not permit of further comments on the other excellent classes but the champion bull was "Craighill," with "Lavender Scot" reserve, while junior championship and grand championship of the breed went to "Gainford Perfection." The females were in splendid shape, senior championship going to "Maxwalton Gloster 3rd," and reserve to "Maxwalton Rosebud." Junior championship went to "Duchess 5th," who also landed the grand championship.

Aberdeen Angus

Thru the splendid winnings of J. D. McGregor, Brandon has become famous as the home of his Glencarnock Aberdeen Angus herd. This year there were two other very fine show herds competing, namely those of James Bowman, Guelph; and Bowman and McGregor, Forrest.

In aged bulls "Evreux of Harvies-toun" took first place and, later, senior and grand championship, while in senior bull calves "Enjoinder of Glencarnock" was top animal, later taking the junior championship. Senior reserve championship went to Bowman's "Beauty's Twin," and the junior reserve to Bowman's "Union Lad."

Galloways and Red Polls

There was only one exhibitor in the Galloway breed, namely D. McCrae, of Guelph. Some very good animals were in the herd. The same is true of the Red Poll exhibit, only the prize winning herd belonging to W. J. McComb, of Beresford, representing this dual-purpose breed.

Dairy Cattle

Professor Hutton, Lacombe, Alta., judged the dairy cattle and hogs and thruout the whole of the classes of a very high standard, his conformity to a very uniform type thruout his placing gave satisfaction to most people.

In the Jerseys and Guernseys two herds competed, namely those of J. Harper and Sons, Kinley, Sask., and B. H. Bull, Brampton, Ont. The show was of uniformly high standard right thru, championship in bulls going to J. Harper and Sons, with B. H. Bull and Sons as reserve, with "Rochutt's Golden Lass" champion female belonging to B. H. Bull and Sons.

In the Holsteins Schroeders' herd from Moorehead, Minnesota, was the only one which did not come on from Winnipeg, and the competition centered around the herds of L. H. Lipsett, Straffordville; Logan and Dickie, Edmonton; A. B. Potter, Langbank; and H. H. Hancox, Dominion City. In the aged bull class "Count Tensena," owned by Logan and Dickie, was first and, later, champion. He is a splendid, deep bodied, smooth, masculine fellow and well deserved the position awarded him. Lipsett came next with "Prince Posch Calamity." Potter's "Sir Belle Pietertje" was third. Lipsett took reserve championship with "Finderne King May Fayne," and also the champion cow. She is a great, deep ribbed cow, with an extra good mammary system. In the herds a little change was made over the Winnipeg placings, Prof. Hutton emphasizing the importance of the dairy sire in the herd by placing Logan and Dickie's herd over that of Lipsett, with Hancox third and A. B. Potter fourth.

Ayrshires were a similar showing to that of Winnipeg, the exhibitors being J. Bollen and Son, Danville, Que.; Rowland Ness, De Winton, Alta.; W. Braid, Oak River; and E. J. Nealon, Brandon, showing a herd in lower show shape than the other competitors. The Ness herd, as usual, made an excellent showing, and that splendid bull, "Morton

Mains Planet," took first in his class, championship, and led his herd to top place in the herd prize. J. Bollen and Son's stuff is very good indeed, their female stuff showing up to advantage. Their "Isaleigh Afte 3rd" aged cow obtained first place and later championship female. W. Braid has a real good bunch, especially is his young stock first class; in junior bull calf his "Greenhill Wanderer" took a good first place and in senior bull calves "Logan Braes" came a close second.

Sheep

The sheep exhibit was a large one and of very good quality thruout. A. J. Mackay placed the ribbons and it took him about ten hours to allot all the awards. The number showing was about the same as at Winnipeg, altho some changes as to flocks were made, new ones coming in at Brandon and some not coming on from Winnipeg.

In Leicesters the honors were divided between Thos. Zachary, Austin, Man., and A. B. Potter, Langbank, Sask. Zachary obtained four firsts, three seconds, two thirds, one fourth and both male and female championships. Potter obtained two firsts, three seconds, two fourths and one fifth prize and the reserves.

The Shropshire exhibitors were: A. Titus, Napinka; A. McEwan, Brantford, and W. L. Trann, Crystal City. McEwan's flock is very hard to equal and it carried off the major portion of the awards, including both championship and reserve in males and females.

The Oxford Downs were a good showing, P. Arkell and Sons, Teeswater, Ont., showing against F. Brown, Ninette. The Teeswater flock was, as usual, outstanding in quality and perfection of type, and obtained most of the awards.

In Suffolks there were five flocks showing, namely, those of Jas. Bowman, Guelph; McGregor and Bowman, Forrest; H. Hancox, Dominion City; J. D. McGregor, Brandon; and F. Hallam, Binscarth. H. Hancox obtained first in all the female classes, and female championship and reserve, while the champion and reserve male went to J. Bowman.

In Southdowns and Hampshire Downs an arrangement was made whereby the money was divided between the two breeds equally and awarded to either exhibitor showing a separate breed, the exhibitors being R. McEwan and A. McEwan, each from Brantford, Ont.

The Cotswolds and Lincolns were represented by two flocks, namely those of McGregor and Bowman, Forrest, and S. Dolson and Son, Norval Station, Ont. McGregor and Bowman obtained both championships and reserves, together with five firsts, two seconds and two third prizes. Dolson and Son obtained one first, three second, two third and one fourth placing.

Swine

There were over six hundred hogs entered in the competition this year and they were truly a remarkable showing. Prof. Hutton placed the awards and altho some of the awards differed to those at Winnipeg, the judge consistently adhered to the type which he started with, and as such his decisions could only be accepted with satisfaction. The Berkshire classes were largely the same as those showing in Winnipeg and the exhibitors were C. W. Weaver, Deloraine; J. Campbell and A. N. Shuttleworth, Brandon; McGregor and Bowman, Forrest; H. S. Currie, Ingleton, Alta.; A. F. Davidson, Watrous, Sask.; W. J. Mortson, Fairlight, Sask.; and S. Dolson and Son, Norval Station, Ont. In these classes Dolson and Sons carried off the majority of the awards, including both male and female championships and reserves with a herd which has been built up by selection along a definite line for the past thirty-five years. Currie's stuff has the long side and quality which tells at the block and the other exhibits were of a correspondingly high order.

In Yorkshires, again, a great showing was present. Skinner, of Indian Head, was absent, but in his place came A. D. McDonald and Son, Napinka, with eighty head; A. G. and W. H. English, Harding; A. C. McPhail, Brandon; A. B. Potter, Langbank; W. J. Mortson, Fairlight; John Campbell, Brandon, and

Dolson and Son, Norval Station, Ont. Space will not permit of further comment, except that both the championships for boar and sow were awarded to A. D. McDonald and Son, while reserve in males was awarded to A. G. English and in females to W. J. Mortson.

In Tamworths, Elsy Brothers, Napinka, showed a very good herd in competition with W. J. Mortson, Fairlight, and obtained both male and female championships, while Mortson obtained the reserves.

The Duroc Jerseys were the same exhibits which were seen at Winnipeg, namely those of O. Miller, Strathmore, and John Maurer, Clive, Alta. The placings were largely the same. While in Poland Chinas F. H. Wiencke, Stony Mountain, showed his great blood stuff, in competition with D. W. Agnew, Douglas, and W. J. Mortson, Fairlight. All championships went to F. H. Wiencke as well as all except one of the first prizes in all classes, this one being for boar six months and under a year, which was awarded to D. W. Agnew.

POLITICIANS COMING WEST

The announcement has been made from Ottawa that Sir Robert Borden will make a tour of the West during September and October, and that he will be accompanied by Finance Minister White and Postmaster-General Pelletier. At the same time comes the announcement that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will tour the West practically at the same time and will be accompanied by Hon. George P. Graham, Hugh Guthrie and F. B. Carvell. As soon as the definite announcement was made that the leaders of both political parties would make a speaking tour of the West, it was decided by the Canadian Council of Agriculture, at a meeting held in Winnipeg last week, to present the needs of the rural West to these gentlemen. Presentations will be made at each point where Sir Wilfrid and Sir Robert deliver addresses in the Prairie Provinces. The questions which will be taken up with both political leaders are as follows:

1. The serious conditions of the agricultural industry and the urgent need of relief.
2. The burden of the protective tariff which gives absolutely no compensation to western farmers, and the desirability of having the tariff taxes reduced, will be pressed upon both political leaders, and they will also be urged to assist in opening wider markets for the natural produce of the West, reducing the tariff on British imports in order to bring about closer trade relations with the Mother Country, and reducing the tariff generally on the necessities of life.
3. The transportation question in its various phases will be presented to both leaders, and the question of lower freight rates on railways and better regulations of lake shipping will be clearly set before them. The question of compensation to farmers for stock killed on the railway lines will also be taken up, as well as the urgent need of completing the Hudson Bay Railway as soon as possible and providing a line of steamships to connect it with the European markets.
4. The necessity of general co-operative legislation is another question which has been pressed upon both leaders in the past and will again be brought to their attention.
5. The excessive rates of interest charged by the banks and loan companies in the West, will be another subject that will be dealt with by the organized farmers and an amendment to the Bank Act will be requested, which will prevent the banks from charging a rate of interest on loans more than 4 per cent. higher than the rate of interest allowed on deposits.
6. Both political leaders will be urged to support legislation which will prevent the natural resources of the country being monopolized in the hands of a few individuals and used in exploitation of the general public.
7. The sample market question will also be dealt with, and the organized farmers will make it clear that, under present conditions, they are not favorable to the establishment of a sample market in Western Canada.

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