



Clydesdale Stallion Baron Bombie: won first prize twice at Glasgow Stallion Show. He was for four years stabled horse at the Royal Farms at Windsor, where he was also a noted prize winner. Baron Bombie was recently sold by O. Sorby, Guelph, to James Saultie, Inwood, Ont.

three Associations now receive in annual grants from the Ontario Department of Agriculture \$11,000, and in addition \$650 from the Dominion Department of Agriculture, to assist in establishing auction sales, and \$500 from various breeders' associations towards advertising and transporting stock in the West. Referring to the development of trade in the West, Mr. Westervelt says: "There is a feeling among the breeders of pure-bred stock in the Territories, and among the live stock men of Manitoba that they, having built up their herds and flocks of pure-bred stock through purchases from Ontario breeders, should have the benefit of whatever trade there may be in what might be called their local district, and that Ontario breeders should not make special efforts to extend their trade in that direction. This, together with the fact that they consider that they have not been given representation at the annual and other meetings of associations of which they are members, has caused a feeling of dissatisfaction, and prevented a feeling of entire goodwill which should prevail among all breeders and feeders of live stock throughout the Dominion."

A reference was made to the auction sales at Calgary. In 1902 220 cattle averaged \$95.75 and in 1903 268 cattle averaged \$96.38 per head. The average of the ram sales in 1902 was \$15.62 for ro8 head, and in 1903 \$11.34 per head. In regard to sheep Mr. Westervelt advised extending the trade in other directions than in the Northwest. While there will always be a demand for sheep in the west, the efforts of Ontario breeders might well be put forth in other directions. It might be advisable to send a representative to the Western States to develop a trade for pure-bred sheep. It would also be in the interest of the trade to have information regarding our live stock industry placed in the hands of all Dominion trade commissioners to foreign countries.

The auction sales at Guelph and Ottawa in 1903 averaged as follows:

Shorthorns	99	\$90.05	\$90.06
Herefords	2	100.00	50.00
Ayrshires	1	37.00	37.00

Total amount of sales, \$9,142.00

In 1903 no females were sold.

PORT PERRY YORKSHIRE SWINE SALE

Highest price paid, \$41.00
 7 boars sold for \$112.00—average 16 oo
 30 sows " " \$45.00—average 18 16
 37 animals " 657.00—average 17 75

The auction sale system should be extended so as to encourage more sales throughout the province. Rules are given under which such sales may be conducted. Reference was made to the *Gazette* to be published soon, the railway commission, and the National Live Stock Association. The following shows the progress that has been made with the Winter Fair:

Date.	No of Entries.	Fees in Premiums	Receipts
1900.	3,019	\$1,783.85	\$5,829.50
1901.	3,461	2,114.75	6,870.50
1902.	3,945	2,118.00	7,750.00
1903.	4,210	2,401.50	7,800.00

The swine recorded during 1903 were as follows:

Berkshires	1,700
Yorkshires	3,311
Chester Whites	369
Poland Chinas	74
Tamworths	542
Duroc Jerseys	27
Essex	12

Total.....6,035

Transfers for all breeds 459.

In closing his report Mr. Westervelt says:

"The following figures will show the importance of the live stock industry in Ontario. The figures for Ontario and Manitoba are for 1902. The figures for the Territories, British Columbia, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, are from the census returns of 1901:

	Ontario	Manitoba	N.W.T.	B.C.
Cattle	2,962,284	282,343	161,730	633,680
Sheep	1,715,513	20,518	124,102	444,140
Swine	1,084,635	95,268	73,095	134,351

CATTLE BREEDERS

The President, Mr. Arthur Johnston, presided at the meeting of Cattle Breeders, which was not largely attended. The Secretary's report showed total receipts of \$3,419, \$910 of which was from members' fees. The expenditure totalled \$3,669.24, leaving a balance due the treasurer of \$250.24.

There was no change made in the list of officers, with the exception of J. M. Gardhouse as vice-president for Ontario in place of Henry Wade; G. H. Greig, in place of Hon. Thos. Greenway, for Manitoba, and E. B. Elderkin for the Maritime Provinces. Mr. W. H. Taylor, M.P.P., was elected representative to the Western Fair, London, in place of Richard Gibson. Mr. W. M. Hodson, Live Stock Commissioner, outlined the program for the

National Live Stock Convention at Ottawa, and Messrs. Arthur Johnston, Chas. Calder, and W. H. Taylor were appointed delegates from the Association.

SHEEP BREEDERS

The annual meeting of the Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association, which followed that of the Cattle, was not any better attended than the latter. The business transacted was, however, gone through with expeditiously. There was practically no change in the officers and delegates to fairs elected for 1904. A few changes were made in the list of judges recommended for the different fairs. Mr. J. C. Duncan was again recommended as judge of Shropshires, at Toronto, and W. H. Beattie as reserve. For some reason or other the directors of the Industrial have failed to appoint Mr. Duncan, though twice recommended by the Association. A resolution was adopted this year, specially asking for Mr. Duncan's appointment at Toronto. Other judges on sheep at Toronto are: C. E. Wood, Freeman, and R. J. Garbutt reserve, and at London, Prof. G. E. Day and Frank Stone reserve. The latter and John Gardhouse were added to the list of expert judges.

A letter from John Campbell, Woodville, and also a petition largely signed by sheep-breeders, was presented, asking that the annual meeting be held at Guelph during the Winter Fair. The majority of the members present were of the opinion that there was already too much crowded in the week at Guelph to hold an annual meeting.

The meeting endorsed the stand taken by the other breeders not to exhibit at St. Louis, though there was a strong feeling that Canada's important sheep interests should be largely represented there, and probably some financial assistance may be given to those who desire to exhibit as individuals. The executive committee, including J. H. Harding, President, J. M. Gardhouse, Vice-President, A. W. Smith, General Director, and A. P. Westervelt, were appointed delegates to the National Live Stock Association, and to present the views of the sheep breeders before the railway commission. The Western Fair, London, will be asked to put their sheep pens in a more sanitary condition, or members will be advised not to exhibit there.

The total receipts were \$2,581.00, including \$81 from members' fees. The expenditure was \$3,151.60, leaving a balance due the treasurer of \$570.60.

SWINE BREEDERS

The swine breeders had a fairly well attended meeting on Feb. 6th, which was presided over by Major G. B. Hood. Several communications were read, with the method of recording were read and referred to the executive committee for adjustment. On motion, the Winter Fair Board was instructed to put Duroc-Jerseys, Poland Chinas, and Essex breeds of hogs in one class with grades at future shows. A grant of \$300 was made to the Dominion Fair at Winnipeg, and \$300 to the Industrial, Toronto, on condition that the latter contribute a similar amount to the regular prize list. Mr. J. W. Nimmo was appointed assistant recording-secretary of the Association, and granted a bonus of \$100 for his services to the Association the past year. The receipts for 1903 totalled \$5,621.58, of which \$1,866.55 was from registration fees. The expenditures were \$4,406.76, leaving a balance on hand of \$2,214.82.

The officers for 1904 are: President, Thos. Teasdale; Vice-President, R. H. Harding. The herd representatives are the same as last year, except that D. Decourcy will represent Chester Whites; Wm. Jones, Poland Chinas; and W. M. Smith, Duroc-Jerseys. The

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