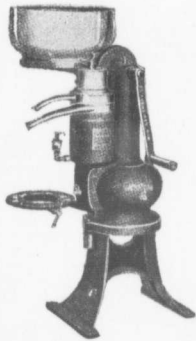


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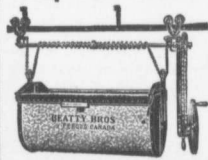
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Active Trade in Pure Bred Stock

The office of the National Live Stock Records at Ottawa is a Larcemer by which can be told accurately the condition of live stock breeding in Canada. An editor of Farm and Dairy, who called at this office recently, was informed by Mr. J. W. Brant, Secretary-treasurer of the Record Committee, that the number of pure bred animals imported into Canada this year, and the transfers of stock in the Dominion, have been unusually large. The activity has not been confined only to one of these and stock lot has extended to practically all classes.

"As usual, just before fair time," said Mr. Brant, "there was a great rush of registration of stock. This is left by breeders until they need certificates to make exhibition entries and then they ask us to attend to the registrations in the course of only a few hours. Were the applications forwarded to us earlier as they should be, we would be able to send out on one day all that had come in on the day before. We do not have to work over hours at this time of the year but recently we have had the staff working over hours. Our whole staff had to work for a while to get out the registrations of swine alone, in connection with work which the breeders claimed was very urgent.

"We now have in the printers' hands volume 1, of the Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association with about 10,000 pedigrees; volume 18, of the Clydesdale Stud Book, with 5,673 pedigrees, all recorded in 1909, the largest ever published; volume 27, of the Shorthorn Herd Book; volume 19, of the Ayrshire Herd Book; volume 2, of the Hackney Stud Book; volume 1, of the Percheron Stud Book and volume 21, swine record."

MANY PERCHERONS

"The importations of Percherons this year have been unusually large. George Lane, of Calgary, bought 97 in France at the big annual sale held at Hoger-le-Ton, of which he has so far brought over 77. Most of these animals are mares which will go direct to his farm. Previous to this importation, Mr. Lane had brought out 25 animals this year. R. A. Hamilton & Son, at Simcoe, Ont., brought out 25 animals this year. Robt. Hamilton at Simcoe, 15; and Edie & Porter, Simcoe, 11. Among those importing from France are F. J. Hassard, of Deloraine, Man.; Robt. Ness, Howick, Que.; Robt. Linton, Calgary, Alta.; J. D. Bolton, and W. B. Thorne, Aldersyde, Alta.; Vanstone & Rogers, Wawanesa, Man.; and J. D. Elliott, Bolton, Ont.; J. B. Hogate, Weston, Ont.; W. W. Hunter, Olds, Alta.; and Jos. Mitchell, Elk Water, Sask. Fully as many Percherons have been brought in from France. We have brought in from the States and have recorded 1,649 Percheron stallions and 1,565 mares since we opened the Stud Book in 1908. I do not know of any other breed that has recorded so many in such a short space of time.

BIG TRADE IN CLYDESDALES

"The trade in Clydesdale horses, including large importations from Great Britain, has also been unusually large. On one day, August 29, 105 purebred Clydesdales were brought into Canada."

BELGIAN HORSES

"While the trade in Belgian horses is still small, there appears to be a growing demand. The Quebec Government brought out 15 this year. The same Government brought out a number of Belgians some years ago. An importation comprising 19 head, has been made this year by Eugene Postmans & Sons, of Quebec. Already 84 Belgian horses have been imported so far this year compared with 28 for all of last year.

"The registration of Yorkshire hogs has been very active as you can judge

by the fact that up to the first of October, we had recorded over 600 more pedigrees than during all of last year.

IMPORTATIONS

"The importations of pure bred stock this year, up to the first of October, compared with those for all of last year, are as follows. It must be borne in mind that the imports are for only three-quarters of this year as against a full year for last year and that therefore the importations of some of these breeds are likely to show a considerable increase.

	1909	1910
Clydesdale Horses	1135	890
Shorthorn Cattle	1096	94
Percheron Horses	283	378
Shire Horses	114	61
Hackney Horses	73	41
Belgian Horses	43	84
Pones	21	60
Sheep	164	162
Swine	20	27
Ayrshire cattle	78	100
Yorkshire cattle	52	34
Red Polled cattle	23	72
Northdown cattle	18	36
Angus cattle	15	4
Standard bred Horses	142	89
Morgan Horses	8	4
Sulfolk Horses	47	25
American Saddle Horses	3	5
Oldenburg Coach Horses	3	3
French Coach Horses	9	11
Yorkshire Coach Horses	1	4
German Coach Horses	2	4
Kerry & Dexter cattle	1	0

Railway Experimental Farms

"The banks and railroads of the province reap the most direct benefits from the advancement of agriculture, and now that the government has done and is doing its share in the work I think that it is up to the banks and railway companies to help to extend to the farmers of the province the knowledge that has been acquired at such great expense by the government," declared President Dr. G. C. Creelman, in giving his testimony before the royal technical education commission at its recent sitting in Quebec.

The commission, in going through the Ontario Agricultural College and Macdonald Institute, struck a veritable hot bed of just the kind of information that is most anxious to secure, and such as they are unable to get anywhere else in the Dominion. President Creelman's main contention was that it would be the railways and banking companies, some of the largest at any rate, to establish model farms at not too distant intervals through the territories in which they operate. These farms should be in charge of scientific agriculturists, and farmers should be invited to visit them often and get valuable advice and encouragement.

From the testimony of Prof. C. A. Zavitz, of the field husbandry department, Dr. Robertson, chairman of the commission figured it out that Ontario has been ordered to the extent of about \$3,000,000 in the past 12 years by the introduction of Manchurian barley, and the adoption of better methods of farming.

"This commission were convinced that the money made by the province in the increase of the yield of barley alone far more than made up the expense of the O.A.C., and now the commission were told also by Prof. Zavitz that they were bringing out barley known as the O.A.C. 21, that was even better than the Manchurian barley."

Item of Interest

W. D. Jackson of Grimsby, who graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College in 1909 has been appointed District Representative of the Ontario Department of Agriculture for Carleton County. Mr. Jackson has had experience in this work as assistant to Mr. McVannel, the District Representative in Prince Edward County

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