

The Ontario Agricultural Gazette

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THE DOMINION CATTLE, SHEEP, AND SWINE BREEDERS' ASSOCIATIONS.

Annual Membership Fees:—Cattle Breeders' \$1; Sheep Breeders', \$1; Swine Breeders', \$2.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP.

Each member receives a free copy of each publication issued by the Association to which he belongs, during the year in which he is a member. In the case of the Swine Breeders' Association this includes a copy of the Swine Record.

A member of the Swine Breeders' Association is allowed to register pigs at 50c. per head; non-members are charged \$1.00 per head.

A member of the Sheep Breeders' Association is allowed to register sheep at 50c. per head, while non-members are charged \$1.00.

The name and address of each member, and the stock he has for sale, are published once a month. Over 9,000 copies of this directory are mailed monthly. Copies are sent to each Agricultural College and each Experiment Station in Canada and the United States, also to prominent breeders and probable buyers resident in Canada, the United States and elsewhere.

A member of an Association will only be allowed to advertise stock corresponding to the Association to which he belongs; that is, to advertise cattle he must be a member of the Dominion Cattle Breeders' Association, to advertise sheep he must be a member of the Dominion Sheep Breeders' Association, and to advertise swine he must be a member of the Dominion Swine Breeders' Association.

The list of cattle, sheep, and swine for sale will be published in the third issue of each month. Members having stock for sale, in order that they may be included in the Gazette, are required to notify the undersigned by letter on or before the 9th of each month, of the number, breed, age, and sex of the animals. Should a member fail to do this his name will not appear in that issue. The data will be published in the most condensed form.

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INSTITUTE MEETINGS.

The following is the average attendance at meetings, reports of which have been received since the last list published:

Algoma, East.....	19
Brant, North.....	50
Bruce, Centre.....	62
Bruce, South.....	238
Cornwall.....	65
Dufferin.....	32
Elgin, West.....	58
Essex, South.....	93
Haldimand.....	137
Halton.....	225
Lambton, East.....	63
Lambton, West.....	74
Middlesex, West.....	65
Norfolk, South.....	65
Oxford, North.....	103
Perth, North.....	119
Stormont.....	95
Waterloo, South.....	45

The following is a list of the members received since the last list published:

Algoma, East.....	11
Bruce, Centre.....	31
Bruce, South.....	60
Cornwall.....	3
Durham, West.....	7
Elgin, West.....	61
Essex, South.....	158
Haldimand.....	128
Halton.....	127
Huron, South.....	1
Kent, East.....	95
Lambton, West.....	133
Lincoln.....	58
Middlesex, North.....	6
Middlesex, West.....	8
Norfolk, South.....	107
Oxford, North.....	108
Perth, North.....	57
Prince Edward.....	11
Russell.....	82
Simcoe, South.....	4
Stormont.....	33
Victoria, East.....	2
Victoria, West.....	4
Waterloo, South.....	85

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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

ASSOCIATION CARS OF LIVE STOCK.

During the past year six carloads of pure-bred stock have been taken direct charge of by the Live Stock Association, and stock has been delivered at almost all points in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and British Columbia.

In addition to the above, shipments have been made in other directions. Last spring an order was received from the Newfoundland Government for a Shorthorn bull. The bull was purchased from W. G. Pettit & Son, Freeman, and so much pleased were the purchasers with the selection made that an additional order for forty breeding ewes was received.—20 Cotswolds, 10 Southdowns, and 10 Shropshires. This shipment has recently arrived at Newfoundland and word received from the attendant that he had arrived safely at St. Johns, although a rough passage had been encountered between North Sydney, Cape Breton, and Newfoundland. We have also at the present time an order from the Newfoundland Government for an entire horse. These were trial shipments, and it is confidently expected that this is only the beginning of what will eventually be a profitable trade in pure-bred stock from Ontario to Newfoundland. The car was shipped *via* C.P.R. to North Sydney, where the stock was re-shipped to St. Johns *via* boat. The sheep were assembled at North Toronto—14 being shipped from Guelph, 10 from Brantford, and 10 from Waterford, while 6 were delivered at North Toronto. The C.P.R. and T.H. & B. allowed the privilege of the sheep being placed in the car without being crated, and the charges were as follows: From Guelph, 14 head, \$3.60; from Waterford, 10 head,

\$3.30; from Brantford, 10 head, \$3.08. The car from North Toronto to Sydney (1,200 miles) was only \$57.60, and the attendant was allowed return transportation at one cent per mile over the C.P.R.

During the past year two partial carloads have been made up by the associations to be forwarded to the United States, one for the State of Michigan and the other for the State of New York.

When orders are received, having lists of stock for sale, elsewhere described, the secretary can easily buy to the best advantage both for buyer and seller. No commission is ever charged, and as the railways are very liberal in the matter of transportation the expense of getting an order together it very little.

OUTLINE OF PLAN FOR ASSEMBLING AND DISTRIBUTING STOCK FOR MANITOBA AND THE NORTHWEST.

By the associations taking charge of less than carload lots and assembling and making up the carloads, shippers of small lots obtain the benefit of the carload rate. These rates have been taken advantage of by breeders both in Ontario and the West, and the large number of enquiries now being received regarding rates shows that our efforts in the direction of cheaper transportation are well known among stockmen generally, and that the reduced rates at which pure-bred stock can now be delivered in the West are appreciated.

In order that the cost may be as light as possible to shippers, a car is started at the farthest western point in Ontario at which stock is to be loaded and consigned to the farthest point at which unloading is to be done in the Northwest. Arrangements are made for a stop over at the necessary points for loading and unloading, stock not already on the main line being shipped to the nearest point; the car arrives at the designated places according to a time table which is prepared and a copy forwarded to each shipper. On account of the reduced rates on less than carload lots, the local cost of shipment in order to meet the car on the main line is comparatively light.

LOCAL SHIPMENTS OF REGISTERED CATTLE, SHEEP OR SWINE.

One matter, however, should be impressed on all shippers of purebred stock between local points. In order to obtain the reduced rates for pure-