

Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition.

Once more the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition may be numbered with events of the past, and once more it has been a success. From the opening day on Monday, July 20th, until its close, on the following Friday evening, the attendance was all that had been anticipated, Citizens' Day breaking all former records by about two thousand. Many people throughout Western Canada have come to look upon the big show of the Capital City as the time of their annual outing, an occasion full of pleasure and profit, when old friends are met, new sights are seen, and a broader knowledge of the country and its resources acquired.

On the morning of the opening day, the weather was somewhat threatening, but later, when the sun peeped through the clouds, it shone upon thousands of Winnipeg's children who were there to enjoy a holiday, because it was "their day" at Exhibition Park. From every flag-pole and house-top within the grounds the Union Jack proudly floated, and a little lower, but not less conspicuous, the colors of Old Glory. At 2.30 p.m. the machinery was formally set in motion by Mayor Arbuthnot, in the presence of a number who had been invited to directors' luncheon, at which President J. T. Gordon presided. Throughout the week everything passed off smoothly, much to the credit of the management. The weather was hot, excessively hot, but the people bore it well, and supported the show loyally, as they should.

Taking the exhibition as a whole, the exhibits were greater than in any former year; the number of entries in live stock being especially strong. It is, of course, not a season when a large exhibit of farm products in the shape of grain, roots and vegetables is to be expected, but the splendid display of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs in a large measure made up for this defect.

The main building was principally occupied by wholesale manufacturing concerns, who made very artistic displays of their goods. The art gallery was especially worthy of mention, as was also the exhibit of the Manual Training Department of the city. The latter was not only tastefully arranged, but contained a number of unique productions, which had been prepared by the lads of the city, and were sufficient to prove to any skeptical visitor that the objects of this work are worthy of every effort that is being put forth in its interest.

In the horticultural hall, a very creditable display of flowers was made, and especially a good deal of interest was taken in this department by farmers' wives. In threshing machinery there was probably the best display that has ever been witnessed in Canada; but in farm machinery generally there was a regrettable absence of exhibits. As we understand the situation, several leading firms have agreed among themselves to discontinue giving an exhibit at the large fairs for some years, for reasons perhaps best known to themselves. This is indeed regrettable, as there is probably no department, outside of the live-stock, in which the farmers are more generally interested than in the farm machinery. They come out to inspect the latest improvements and devices in implements that are in daily use on their farms, and the majority can generally spare time to spend a few hours profitably in this department; hence, it is unfortunate that an arrangement cannot be made whereby the manufacturers will find it convenient to make representative exhibits. It was suggested by one prominent farmer, at the Directors' luncheon, that farmers should refuse to purchase their agricultural implements from any company who did not make an exhibit of their goods annually at the large fairs. While this would be difficult to have carried into effect, it nevertheless represents to some extent the feeling which exists, and rightly so.

HORSES.

It was generally admitted that the horse exhibit was quite equal to any former year. Considerable good quality was shown, and the competition in many of the classes was very keen, it being quite common for good animals to go away unadorned with prize-ribbons. The horse barns were all filled to overflowing, and several animals had to take shelter in sheds and elsewhere, much to the dissatisfaction of their owners.

The judging in the heavy classes was done by Mr. Robt. Ness, the veteran horse importer and breeder, of Howick, Quebec, while in the lighter classes D. H. Charles, of Peterboro, Ont., told where the ribbons should be placed.

CLYDESDALES were by far the most important class at the show, and, as usual, a greater interest was taken in the horse-ring while they were being exhibited than at any other time. In the class for mature stallions, there were no less than eleven entries, including the best animals in Manitoba, and a few from Eastern Assiniboia. As could be expected, it took some time for the judge to arrive at a decision. Finally, however, a half dozen were singled out, and from these Concord, owned by the Hartney Clydesdale Horse Association, and imported by Alex. Galbraith & Sons, was placed at the head of the list. He is

a beautiful horse, a most typical Clydesdale, thick, and comparatively low-set, with rare good quality, both in bone and feather, and has a gait characteristic of the best of the breed. He was later awarded the sweepstake medal for the best stallion any age, and also the gold medal for the best horse on the grounds. The second prize in this class went to A. & G. Mutch's (Lumsden, Assa.) Baron's Gem, imported a few months ago, and winner of sweepstakes at the Regina Spring Show. This horse had scarcely the finished appearance of Concord, but he had the best action of any animal in the ring, it being high, level and true to a fault, and the judge declared that after a year in this country he would no doubt



FIRST-PRIZE GENERAL-PURPOSE TEAM.

At Minnedosa Summer Fair.
OWNED BY ED. MANDLEY.

stand at the head of his class. The third prize was won by Jerviswood, owned by W. S. Henderson, V.S., of Carberry. He also is an animal of remarkable substance and Clydesdale character, and it was not to be wondered at that he had admirers who would have placed him higher up. One year ago he was first as a three-year-old. It may be said, however, that his action, although very fair, was not equal to the first and second prizewinners, and the judge could not for a moment be faulted for his decision. From this ring there went away a few horses that would have been no disgrace to a red ticket, had they been permitted to wear one. Among those may be mentioned Prince Delectable, owned by J. B. Thompson, Hamiota, who would have been fourth had such a prize been given.

For the best three-year-old stallion, Willis & Fowle, of Boissevain, came first with Exeter Champion, a horse of grand quality and a beautiful mover. He was bred by J. M. McKee, Carlyle, Scotland. Craig Stamp, owned by Peter Robertson, Killarney, and imported by Graham Bros., Claremont, Ont., followed. This horse has been previously described by the "Farmer's Advocate." He has a set of splendid limbs, showing the quality that is bound to wear, and, besides, he is a nice stepper. Wm. T. Ward, Grenfell, came next with Florist, a horse of fair character, but slightly under size.

The two-year-olds were a rather unsatisfactory class to judge, differing both in type and quality, and when such is the case, it is not easy for a judge to satisfy himself, much less the parties particularly interested. Aberdeen 2nd, owned by G. & T. Bennie, Castleberry, although quite unfitted for the show-ring, was placed first, largely

on account of his good quality of bone. Second prize went to W. Postlethwaite, Brandon, on Pilgrim's Pride, a much better fitted horse than the latter, but fine in bone. Bennie Bros. also secured the third prize with Ivanhoe, a colt of the type of the first prizewinner, but lacking in finish.

The class for yearling stallions contained but three entries, but they were a fair lot. E. A. August, of Bates, Man., was placed first on a get of Lawrence Erskine, a splendid little mover, with a distinctly horsy appearance. The second prizewinner was a well-bodied colt, about which many good things could be said, owned by Ezra Pearson, Medicine Hat. Third went to Prince of Prosperity, owned by John Wishart, Portage la Prairie.

The call for brood mares with foals by their side brought out seven entries, and the honors of the ring would, in all probability, have gone to the old champion, Lady Almondale, shown by J. B. Thompson, Hamiota, had not an accident unfitted her, in the opinion of the judge, for showing honors. The first prize, however, went to Princess Superior, by Prince Patrick. She was purchased by the exhibitor, Wm. Black, of Hayfield, Man., from J. A. S. Macmillan, Brandon, and was bred by N. P. Clark, St. Claud, Minn. She is a mare of fair quality, and moves with a grace that is desirable in a Clydesdale. She later received the sweepstake medal for being the best female any age. The second prize went to J. B. Thompson's Adeline Macgregor, a big, strong mare, with a good top; and third prize to G. & W. Bennie's Nellie Blyth. For brood mare and her progeny, Bennies had Belle of Springbank and Nellie Blyth with her progeny, good enough to win first and second; and John Wishart, of Portage la Prairie, with Lady Granite and her produce, came third.

There were several entries in the class for three-year-old fillies, but they too were an unsatisfactory lot to judge. Some had considerable good quality, but were lacking in type, while others were just about the kind the judge should look for, except that in action they were decidedly faulty. Carruth & Brown, of Portage la Prairie, were placed first with imported Lady Pandora, a young mare having splendid feet and legs. John Wishart came second, with Wonderful Lady, and G. & W. Bennie third, with Polly McQueen, by Macqueen 462.

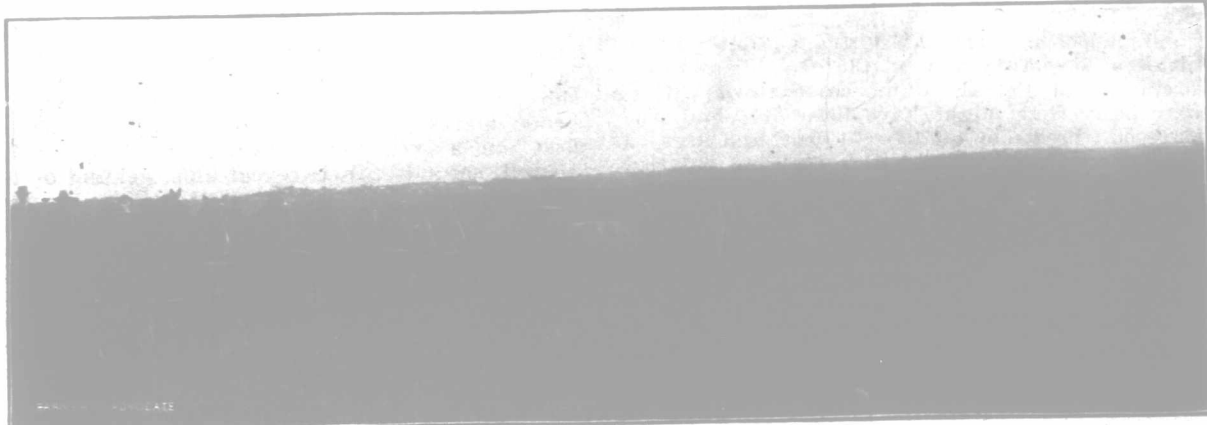
The two-year-old fillies were the strongest class of females at the show, there being seven in all. Andrew Graham, of Pomeroy, had Cherry 4th, by Prince Charming, and the judge considered her good enough for first prize. She is a heavy-bodied filly, and her feet and legs showed the quality that is desirable in one of her class. J. B. Thompson's entry, a filly having grand feet, legs and pasterns, came second, and Earle Elsie, owned by Ezra Pearson, of Medicine Hat, a compactly-built young mare, strong in back and quarters, but somewhat lacking in action, came third.

Only two entries came forward in the class for yearling fillies, John Wishart being first with Queen of Prosperity, and G. & W. Bennie second with Minnehaha.

For best foal, Wm. Black had the progeny of Princess Superior, a beautiful colt, and won first; G. & W. Bennie likewise came second with Belle of Springbank.

For stallion and three of his get, foaled in Manitoba, N.W. Territories or British Columbia, Bennie came first with Aberdeen and his progeny, and J. B. Thompson second, with Prince Delectable. In a similar class for stallion one year and over, E. August's Fred Erskine was first, and G. & W. Bennie's Ivanhoe second. J. B. Thompson came first for mare one year or over, and Bennie second.

SHIRES made the best showing this year at Winnipeg that they have for a long time. Geo. E. Brown, of Aurora, Ill., who has had a stable at Brandon for some time, showed a number of stallions, and captured his share of the prizes. J. H. Truman & Sons, Bushnell, Ill., also had a few on exhibition. In the aged stallion class, Brown was placed first with Director; while Prince



STOCK PARADE.

Minnedosa, Manitoba, Summer Show. President Taylor standing to the right.