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pay the Province. Statements have been given out that the Provincial Government purpose establishing a school of forestry, and hints dropped that its location would be in Toronto, in connection with the Provincial University-a very sure way to invite its failure. To get the right stamp of student material for future foresters and ensure success, it should be planted at the O. A. C.

There are other branches, also, that deserve attention. There is a feeling that the horticultural department is in need of more energetic administration, more thorough and comprehensive work in research, and improved instruction methods. Good work has been done, we believe, especially in vegetable gardening. The climate is, admittedly, a handicap in fruit culture, but stil, considering the future possibilities of horticulture in the Province, we cannot afford to lie on our oars: every branch of the College should be pulsating with the present-day energy of Canadian growth and progress. There are other departments which have done and are doing good work, but which would be all the better for a little dynamiting. The stress of competition should be anticipated, not awaited.

We believe that the minister, Hon. Mr. Monteith, can count on the backing of the agricultural community in providing for a policy of expansion and improvement in the Guelph Institution.

There is a tendency in some quarters, it seems, to take things a trifle easy. Recreation is all right, and no one earns it better than the man who is carrying on pedagogic or investigative work, but we confess we would like to see a little more active earnestness in some quarters around the institution, and a little more of that spirit of intentness which binds a man to his work. Lawn tennis and football are all right enough. but they will never solve the problems of agriculture, and we have occasionally noted that in proportion as a man's interest becomes focussed on the lawn and the playground, his value to the institution and to the country declines. The present moment at the O. A. C. is one for the dynamics of action.

"Fair Gaspin' for the F. A."

Dear Mr. Editor:

I have received the "Farmer's Advocate" for two years now, and 1 am very highly pleased with the information therein. All my friends, vets, and farmers, get a read of it, and as for myself, "Weel, I'm jist aye fair gaspin" to get a read o' it as soon as the postie fetches it. Noo, I want it anither year yet, sae you'll fin' the tocher enclosed, tae the amount o' sax shillings an' thripence."

GEORGE JACKSON.

Woodhead Farm, Garnkirk, Scotland. Dec. 10, 1905.

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HORSES.

An Act to Protect Horse-breeders of the Province of Manitcha.

We print below a copy of the essential clauses of a "Horse-breeders' Act," prepared by the Secretary and Executive of the Horse-breeders' Association of Manitoba, to take the place of the old Horse-breeders' Lien Act. It is proposed to present the revised Act to the Manitoba Legislature this winter for adoption, and it may in all probability be expected to become law in that Province. It embodies quite largely the Territorial Ordinance, which covers the same ground, and which has worked very satisfactorily. The proposed Act will be of interest to horse-breeders generally:

REGISTRATION OF STALLIONS.

3. Every person, firm or company, standing or travelling any stallion for profit or gain in Manitoba shall cause the name, description and pedigree of such stallion to be enrolled in the Department, and shall taken. procure a certificate of such enrollment as hereafter pro-

4. Such owner, when the stallion is pure-bred, shall pay to the said Department for such enrollment and certificate the sum of two dollars; provided, that in the case of a sale or transfer of a stallion once so enrolled, the new owner, upon filing proof of such sale or transfer to him, and, if required, surrendering the original certificate, shall be entitled to a new certificate of enrollment upon payment of the sum of one dollar.

5. In order to obtain the Department's endorsation of soundness of the license certificate herein provided for, the owner of such pure-bred stallion shall make oath before a notary public that such stallion is, to the best of his knowledge, free from hereditary or transmissible unsoundness or disease, or in lieu thereof may file a certificate of freedom from hereditary disease or unsoundness, signed by a duly qualified veterinarian licensed in Manitoba, and shall forward this affidavit. or veterinarian's certificate, together with the other necessary papers relating to his breeding and ownership, to the Department.

6. The following diseases are considered hereditary unsoundness, disqualifying a stallion for breeding pur-Bone spavin, cataract, contraction of the feet, curb, navicular disease, periodic opthalmia, sidebones, ringbone, roaring, thick wind or whistling, bony exostoses, splints, etc.

7. In case of a stallion not being able to qualify for the Department's endorsation of stallions thus provided for, such endorsation shall be scored out on each and every certificate; provided always that such endorsation shall apply for one year only from the date of issue

8. The owner of any stallion shall post up and keep affixed during the whole season, copies of the certificate of such stallion issued under the preceding section, in a conspicuous place, both within and upon the outside of the main door leading into every stable or building where the said stallion stands regularly for public

9. The certificate issued for a pure-bred stallion, registered in a studbook approved by the Department, shall be in Form A in the schedule hereto.

10. The certificate issued for a stallion whose sire and dam are pure-bred but not of the same breed shall be in Form B in the schedule hereto

11. The certificate issued for a stallion that is not pure-bred shall be in Form C in the schedule hereto.

12. Every bill, poster or advertisement issued by the owner of any stallion enrolled under this Act, or used by him when advertising such stallion, shall contain a copy of its certificate of enrollment.

13. The production of any bill poster or other printed or written matter advertising any stallien for public service shall be prima facie evidence that such bill, poster or other advertising material was used to advertise the stallion named and described therein by or with the consent of the owner or owners of the said stallion.

LIENS FOR SERVICES.

14. The owner of any stallion holding a certificate of enrollment for such stallion under Section 9 of this Act, or his agent, may file in the office of the clerk of the County Court of the judicial division in which the owner or person in charge of any mare upon which such stallion performs service resides, within 18 months after such service has been performed, a statutory declaration, setting forth:

(a) The amount of service fee.

(b) That the same is unpaid.

(c) The fact of service.

(d) A reasonable description of the mare (e) The name and residence of the owner of such mare.

(f) The County Court clerk shall file the said declaration upon the receipt of a fee of $\ensuremath{\text{ten}}$

15. The owner of such stallion, upon filing such declaration, and complying with the provisions of the Act, shall have a lien to the amount of the said ser fee and costs, as hereinafter provided, upon the colt or filly, the offspring of any such stallion from the service in respect of which the said declaration is filed, which lien shall take and have priority over any and all writs of execution, chattel mortgages, bills of sale, liens, claims and incumbrances whatever.

ENFORCEMENT OF LIEN

16. If payment of the service fee is not made before the first day of January in the year following the year in which the colt or filly is born, the owner of the said stallion, or his duly appointed agent, may, at any time before the first day of May following, take possession of the colt or filly upon which he has such lien as aforesaid, wherever the same may be found, and may proceed to sell the same by public auction, after giving the person in whose possession the said colt or filly was when taken ten days' notice in writing of such intention to sell, which notice may be effectually given to such person by delivering the same to him personally, or by posting the notice up on the door of such person's last known place of residence in Manitoba.

17. The proceeds of such sale shall be applied, first, in payment of the reasonable expenses of the taking of possession, giving of notice and conduct of sale, not in all in any one case exceeding ten dollars; next, in payment of the said service fee; and the balance shall be paid, on demand by the owner of the stallion, to the person from whose possession such colt or filly was

18. Violation of any of the provisions of this Act shall be an offence for which the offender shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding \$25.

SCHEDULE Form A.

Department of Agriculture for Manitoba, Canada. Certificate of pure-bred stallion No.

The pedigree of the stallion, (Name) described as follows: foaled in the year , has been examined in the Department, and I hereby certify that the stallion is pure-bred and is registered No. in Vol.

Studbook, which is approved by

The owner of the above pure-bred stallion having complied with the requirements of Section 5 of this Act, the Department certifies the said horse to be free from hereditary disease, and therefore considers the horse sound at date of issue of this certificate.

Minister of Agriculture.

Form B.

Department of Agriculture for Manitoba, Canada, Certificate of Cross-bred stallion No.

The breeding of the stallion Name described as follows: foaled in the year , has been examined in the Department, and it is found that his sire is registered and his dam is the

Such being the case, the said stallion is not pure-bred. nor eligible for registration in any studbook approved by the Department.

Minister of Agriculture.

Form C.

Department of Agriculture for Manitoba, Canada. Certificate of Grade stallion No.

The breeding of the stallion (Name) described as follows: (color) foaled in the year , has been examined in the Department, and it is found that the said stallion is not pure-bred nor eligible for registration in any studbook approved by the Department.

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