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## DATES.

Canada's Great Industrial Fair, Toronto, Sept. 10th to 22nd. H. J. HILL.

Eastern' Townships Agricultural Association, Sher brooke, Sept. 4th to 6th. E. WINN FARWELL. Brantford, Sept. 11th to 13th. R. M. WILLSON.

Agricultural and Arts Association of Ontario, Kingston, Sept. 10th to 15th. H. WADE, Toronto.

Guelph, Sept. 12th to 14th. R. MACKENZIE.

St. Thomas, Sept. 17th to 20th. JOHN A. KAINS. Western Fair Association, London, Sept. 20th to 29th GEO. MCBROOM.

Great Central Fair, Hamilton, Sept. 24th to 28th. JONATHAN DAVIS.

Almonte, Sept. 25th to 27th. WM. P. MCEWEN. Wellesley, Sept. 25th and 26th. GRO. BELLINGER. Believille, Sept. 25th to 26th. WM. SMEATON. Collingwood, Sept. 25th to 26th. T. H. CRAWFORD. St. Catharines, Sept. 24th to 26th. ALBERT PAR. Durham, Sept. 25th and 29th. ARCH. MACKENZIE. Central Exhibition Association, Ottawa, Sept. 24th

to 29th. R. C. W. MACCUAIG. Belmont, Oct. 2nd. WM. BLACK. Chatham, Oct. 2nd to 5th. JOHN TISSIMAN. Barrie, Oct. 1st to 4th. R. J. FLETCHER. Cayuga, Oct. 2nd and 3rd. THOS. BRIDGES. Paris, Oct. 2nd and 3rd. JAMES O'NEAIL. Goderich, Oct. and to 5th. H. HAVDEN. Walkerton, Oct. 2nd to 5th. JACON SEEGMILLER. Liudsay, Oct. 2nd to 4th. JAS. KEITH. Picton, Oct. 2nd and 3rd. THOS. BOG. Wallacetown, Oct. 2nd and 3rd. D. CAMPBELL. Smithville, Oct. 3rd and 4th. W. H. MORGAN. Markham, Oct. 3rd to 5th. JAS, J. BARKER. Stratford, Oct. 4th and 5th. JOHN BROWN. Elora, Oct. 4th and 5th. JOHN MAIR. Otterville, Oct. 5th and 6th. ALEX. McFARLANE. Norwich, Oct. 12th to 14th. ALEX. MCFARLANE. Simcoe, Oct. 16th and 17th. J. THOS. MURPHY.



#### WINTER SHOWS.

The Eastern Ontario Association have taken time by the forelock End appointed the 5th to 12th of February next for their next show. Mr. J. Y. Bicknell will again officiate as judge. The Grimbsy Association have also arranged their dates December 4th 5th 6th and 7th and have greatly extended their prize-list, a further notice of which will be found in the exhibition department.

MR. WM. SANDERSON, the efficient secretary of the Stratford Association, was in town last month, and we enjoyed the pleasure of a long chat with him.

MR. "BOB" HAMILL, the Ontario secretary, paid us a flying visit. He is enthusiastic over the prospects of the next show, and by all accounts it promises to be a big one. Several American exhibitors are expected to attend-

MR. Jos. W. BATES, the Canadian agent of Spratt's Patent, has been travelling through Ontario, and we had the pleasure of a talk with him some days ago. He informs us that their foods, &c., are having a large sale in Canada-

#### TO BUFFALO.

MR. H. H. WALLACE, Woodstock, intends showing his birds at the great. Buffalo fall fair, and we understand MR. P. T. H. ERMAN NGER of Montreal intends visiting it. Are any others of our Canadian fanciers going across the line? We have been tendered a very cordial invitation foi all Canadian fanciers to attend, and the Buffalo fanciers say that if the "Kanucks" don't return with pleasant recollections of Buffalo it won't be the fault of the "Bisons."

The irrepressible MRS. MORLEY of Montreal has again had trouble with the courts on account of her tendency to catology. When the bailiff went to seize the felines he found some 70 in the house, about 30 of which he secured.

SCAT !!

### RATS !!

We once had the honor of acquaintance with a lady of uncertain age who was afflicted with the same craze for a unique and complete museum of specimens of the cat tribe. This giddy creature (of uncertain age) was in the habit of personally attending the lady, members of her pets, even going the length of sitting up all night, when a particular favorite was expecting an increase of spotted blind-eyed "catlets"-(patent applied for). Well, one night she thought one of her favorites had reached that most delicate point, and concluded to sit the night by the soft couch of the feline. The night wore on but no sign. of s.b.—e.c's. When, alas! at the morning dawn, on examination by one of the male members of the family the delicately situated cat turned out to-be-a gentleman.

[Tableaux—Drop the curtain to slow music.]

### A FACT.

The above though rather strong, was, to our personal knowledge, a fact.