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PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

In a little less than two months the exhibition of the Agricultural Association of Upper Canada will be held, in the city of London, commencing on Monday the 18th of September. It is to be hoped that manufacturers and artists who are intending to exhibit their productions—and we trust a very large number will do so—will not be behind time in their preparations.

The "Prize List," and "Rules and Regulations," and printed forms for entries, are published, and may be had of secretaries of Agricultural Societies and Mechanics' Institutes, free of charge.

Entries for all live animals must be made on or before Saturday the 12th of August; Grain, and other Farm Products, Agricultural Implements, Machinery and Manufactures generally, by Saturday August 26th; Horticultural Products, Ladies' Work, and the Fine Arts, by Saturday September 9th.

We would impress on exhibitors the necessity of having their entries made by the dates above specified; and particularly would we urge upon them the desirableness of having all articles in the *Arts and Manufactures* department on the grounds, as far as possible, on the Saturday previous to the show, but certainly not later than the noon of Monday the 18th of September, as the officers in charge require as much time as possible in arranging the goods so as to properly classify them, and have them ready for the judges on the Tuesday morning. Exhibitors frequently complain of their articles being placed in improper positions; but this is unavoidable when goods are brought in only just before or during the time the judges are proceeding to their duties. An improvement in this respect, on former years, is highly desirable.

Heretofore the judges in the Arts and Manufactures, and Ladies' Department, have had the greatest difficulty possible in gaining access to the goods in such a manner as to be able to arrive at satisfactory conclusions, especially in cases of close competition, owing to the main building

being crowded with visitors at the time of the performance of their duties. We are happy to notice that this will not be the case at the coming show, as the Council of the Association have wisely determined that the main building shall be closed to all but the judges and necessary attendants, during the whole of Tuesday the 19th.

The issuing of members' tickets, or badges, good for the whole show, has heretofore been sadly abused; one ticket being often made to serve for the introduction of a number of persons to the grounds, by methods well known but not easily prevented. It has therefore been determined to issue no more of such tickets, but instead:

"Each member, on paying his subscription, will be furnished with four small admission tickets, each of which will admit the holder once, and must be given up at the gate on passing into the grounds. By economy in the use of these tickets, they can be made to last during the Show; but if a member shall have used them all, and still desires admission, he will have to purchase a single admission ticket in the same manner as a non-member. Life members will be furnished, as heretofore, with tickets admitting them during the Show. Delegates from Societies, and members of the Press, will also be furnished with complimentary admission badges or tickets, as heretofore.

"The entry tickets upon animals or articles will admit the person bringing them to the Show grounds for exhibition, along with such animals or articles, without the use of any other ticket. Afterwards such parties must be provided with proper admission tickets.

"Necessary attendants upon stock and articles belonging to exhibitors will be furnished with admission tickets with their names written upon them, which ticket will be good at the *Exhibitors' Gate only*, during the Show."

The Association will make the most favourable arrangements possible with the steamboat and railway proprietors, for carrying articles and passengers at reduced rates, which will be duly announced to the public.

Very few changes have been made in the prize list, from last year. Some few articles heretofore shown as extras have been placed in regular sections, and a few new ones also added. We refer all interested to the printed list, and also ask particular attention to the following

Programme for the Week.

1. MONDAY, Sept. 18th, will be devoted to the final receiving of articles for exhibition, and their proper arrangement. None but officers and members of the Association, judges, exhibitors, and necessary attendants will be admitted.

2. TUESDAY, 19th.—The judges will meet in the