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7.30 p.m.—"Grading up Farm Crops," L. H. Newman, Secretary, Canadian Seed Growers' Association.

8.00 p.m.—"The Mortality among Foals, Cause and Prevention," John Graham, Carberry. Discussion led by Dr. J. S. Thompson, St. James.

8.30 p.m.—"Manitoba Live Stock Markets," J. B. Baird, M.P.P., Pilot Mound, President, the Western Stock Shippers' Association. Discussion led by A. M. Campbell, chairman, Beef Commission, Argyle; and R. J. Phin, Moosomin.

9.00 p.m.—"The Horsebreeders' Lien Act of Manitoba," J. J. Golden, Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

THURSDAY, MARCH 11th.

9.00 a.m.—Annual Meeting of the Horse Breeders' Association.

11.00 a.m.—"Weed Seed Identification Contest," L. H. Newman, Secretary, Canadian Seed Growers' Association; E. D. Eddy, Seed Branch, Dominion Department of Agriculture in charge.

1.30 p.m.—Judging all classes of horses.

4.00 p.m.—Judging dressed carcasses, by Prof. Gaumnitz.

4.00 p.m.—Meeting of members of Canadian Seed Growers' Association. Detailed programme in connection with this meeting will be posted up during the fair for the information of those interested.

4.30 p.m.—Annual Meeting of the Canadian Red Polled Cattle Association.

7.30 p.m.—Enemies of "Grain Growers," W. C. McKillican, Dominion Seed Branch, Alberta.

8.00 p.m.—Public Meeting and presentation of prizes. Address by J. D. McGregor, president, Manitoba Winter Fair, Brandon; Hon. R. P. Roblin, Minister of Agriculture; Dr. J. C. Rutherford, Dominion Live Stock Commissioner; W. J. Black, B.S.A., Principal, M. A. College; W. J. Rutherford, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Saskatchewan.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12th.

10.00 a.m.—Unfinished Business.

4.00 p.m.—Show Closes.

God save the King.

LIVESTOCK IN THE UNITED STATES

The Crop Reporting Board of the Bureau of Statistics of the United States Department of Agriculture estimates, from reports of correspondents and agents of the Bureau, the numbers and values of farm animals on farms and ranges in the United States on January 1st, 1909, as follows:

Farm Animals.	Numbers.	Total Value.
Horses	10,640,000	\$1,974,052,000
Mules	4,053,000	437,082,000
Milch cows	21,720,000	702,945,000
Other cattle	49,379,000	863,754,000
Sheep	56,084,000	192,632,000
Swine	54,147,000	354,794,000

Compared with January 1, 1908, the following changes are indicated:

Horses have increased 648,000; mules increased 184,000; milch cows increased 526,000; other cattle decreased 694,000; sheep increased 1,453,000; swine decreased 1,937,000.

In average value per head, horses increased \$2.23; mules increased \$0.08; milch cows increased \$1.69; other cattle increased \$0.60; sheep decreased \$0.45; swine increased \$0.50.

In total value, Horses increased \$106,522,000; mules increased \$20,143,000; milch cows increased \$52,888,000; other cattle increased \$17,816,000; sheep decreased \$19,104,000; swine increased \$15,764,000.

The total value of all animals enumerated above on January 1, 1909, was \$4,525,259,000, as compared with \$4,331,230,000 on January 1, 1908, an increase of \$194,029,000, or 4.5 per cent.

SUFFOLKS DOING WELL

Writing us on January 8th Mr. Norman Jaques says:

"Did you notice the success of the Suffolk sheep at the Smithfield show at Christmas. The champion of the show was a Suffolk, also the champion cross-breds were Suffolk crosses, and the Suffolk carcass made 8 cents per pound more than the next highest price. The Suffolk is the mutton sheep of the world. I have some good Shropshires and know from experience that their meat cannot compare with the Suffolk."

It may interest you that, during the recent cold snap our thermometer, a most reliable instrument, registered 68, and during it, none of our freshly imported Suffolk horses were blanketed, while ten of our older Suffolk mares are wintering outside with little or no shelter and are getting fat on hay and straw.

"I am sending a letter from Mr. R. H. Dangar, one of the largest agriculturists in Australia. Could you find room to publish it? I think that after Mr. Turner's statement that "the Suffolk can only produce the cheapest horse", an outside and independent opinion would be the best answer. The interest which this discussion has aroused would also warrant it."

The letter reads:
"I note that you are importing the Suffolk into Canada in some numbers, and I hope they do as well with you as they do here. My grandfather, uncles and I have imported them from England for the past 50 years, maintaining pure studs, as well as crossing them in all ways. My uncle, Mr. A. A. Dangar, and I have held an annual sale of colts in Sydney for the past 14 years. These colts are purchased by breeders all over Australia for all purposes, some to use on pure mares, some to cross with heavy drafts, and the lighter colts for crossing with light, well-bred mares to get utility horses, such as bus, van, light lorry

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