

Brandon Exhibition

Situated in the centre of one of the best mixed farming districts in Western Canada, supported actively by the farming community, and having the added asset of splendid weather, Brandon Fair this year could not fail to be a magnificent success. The attendance was very large, and the gate receipts will be a source of great satisfaction to the management. The arrangement of the exhibits was very good, splendid showings being made by many manufacturers. There was a splendid horticultural exhibit, including beautiful displays of flowers and plants from the Brandon Parks Board and Patmore and Sons, of Brandon. A new feature was introduced in this department this year in the competition between Horticultural Societies, contested by those of Brandon and Souris. Both exhibits were splendid, and it is no disparagement to the Brandon Society that first prize was awarded to Souris. Through the able management of W. I. Smale, supported by a very energetic and enthusiastic board of directors, everything possible pertaining to the comfort and enjoyment of visitors and stockmen alike was done, and the general feeling was one of great satisfaction at the complete success of the fair.

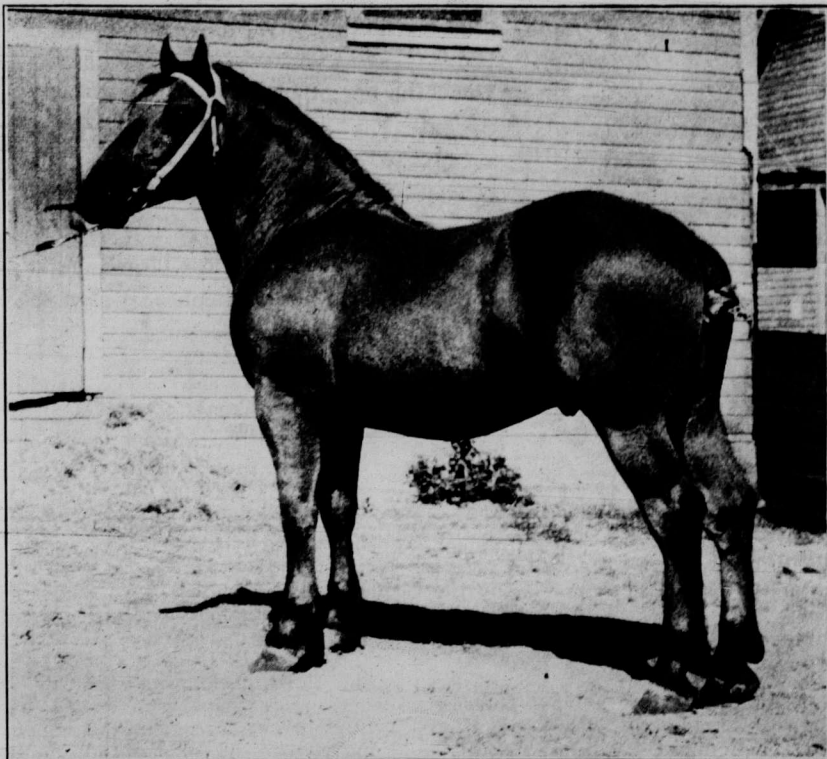
Clydesdales

There is one particularly outstanding feature which is always present and de-

The single draft mare or gelding class, any age, brought out a splendid line-up, such as did credit to the live stock industry in the West. Eventually A. C. McPhail's gelding was placed top, with F. McBean's horse second.

Amongst the agricultural grade classes a very strong line-up was present in competition for the coveted position of best mare or gelding, any age. Horses owned by Frank McBean, N. Rogers, C. and D. McDonald, P. S. Dawley and J. L. Hamilton were contesting, and the red went to a fine topped, aged, black mare with good underpinning, owned by J. L. Hamilton, while second place went to Frank McBean's mare.

The general purpose section was not so good, some outstanding horses showing among a bunch of inferior stuff. Filly or gelding class foaled in 1911 went to Trotter and Trotter, with two of J. Switzer's in the next places and P. S. Dawley fourth. The best gelding sired by Clydesdale stallion went to A. C. McPhail on "Barney," the former winner. Yearling grade, filly or gelding, went to D. McCallum. The McBean team of heavy grades, which won the five heavy grade horse class, are a wonderful bunch of home bred horses, showing plainly the value of a good sire. They show surprising uniformity in size, quality and general conformation. In the registered classes of Clydes-



"MUSTANG"

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cidedly worthy of note in connection with the horse classes at Brandon Fair, and it is the fact that the showing of agricultural horses is always superior to any similar classes shown at the other Western exhibitions. It seems that every farmer is determined to have good horses, and the grading up and showing of this kind of horses is second to none throughout the Dominion. It is impossible to give a detailed account here of the placings in these classes, which were so evenly contested and of such high individual merit, owing to lack of space, and a few only of the awards of Judge Gardhouse, Weston, Ontario, can be given.

In the heavy draft grade class a particularly good line was shown. A. C. McPhail, with a gelding which was very hard to fault at all, came in first, and F. McBean took second and third. McPhail's gelding is one of these splendid upstanding, clean limbed, heavy, quality geldings of the very best harness type, with extra good movement. McBean's two horses were quality horses, but perhaps not quite so finished as the first horse. An outstanding brood mare belonging to McBean won the brood mare class. In two-year olds, filly or gelding, A. C. Stewart, Rapid City, won first place, and Wm. Essie, Brookdale, was second.

there were some great individuals showing, but down the line some animals of very inferior merit were present. However, when it is considered that neither Bryce, Taber, Grant or Trayner were present, the line-up from local sources was very creditable; indeed. Among the exhibitors were to be seen C. and D. McDonald, Russell; A. Galbraith, Brandon; D. Stevenson, Wawanesa; John Shields, Brandon; W. J. Young, Griswold; John Nicol, Beresford; W. Black, Hayfield; J. E. Martin, Condie; Trotter and Trotter, Brandon; A. G. McDonald, Napinka; A. Steel, Glenboro; P. S. Dawley, Carroll; John Crawford, Chater, and several others.

In the aged stallion class, six very good horses lined up. "Perpetual Motion," owned by W. J. Young, a noted stallion, was placed top. He is a fine mover and deserved the place, altho C. and D. McDonald's "Edward" chased him a close second. Third place went to Stevenson's "Lothair," and fourth to "Proud Edward," owned by A. Galbraith.

The first place very naturally, but none the less deservedly, went to the champion three year old "Charnock," owned by A. Galbraith. In two year olds six nice youngsters lined up, first place going to J. E. Martin's "Everest's Headlight," a big, growthy qual-

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