

FIELD NOTES

Canadian Aberdeen Angus Association Convenes.

The second annual gathering of the Aberdeen Angus Association was held in the Live Stock Association's tent at the fair grounds on Thursday morning of the show. After the usual business of reading minutes, etc., was got through the association proceeded with the election of officers, which resulted as follows: President, Hon. Walter Clifford, Austin, Man.; vice-president, James Bowman, Guelph, Ont.; secretary-treasurer, Geo. H. Greig, Winnipeg; directors, J. D. McGregor, Medicine Hat; Sam Martin, Rounthwaite; C. C. Ellett, Strathcona; C. Sharpe, Rockside, Ont.; F. J. Collyer, Wellwyn, Sask. The executive, in whose hands the transaction of business for the year had been placed, is composed of the president, vice-president, F. J. Collyer and the secretary.

On motion it was decided that the next annual meeting be held in Winnipeg at the time of the regular winter gathering of the live stock men. Mr. Bowman suggested Guelph or Ottawa, but the meeting held it would be better, until everything was running smoothly, to have the meetings where the association had taken its inception and amongst the members familiar with the needs of such an organization.

The question of pedigrees came up and occasioned a long discussion. A number of Western men have been recording their stock in Ontario with H. Wade, but as there was no association and no herd book this was productive of very little good. Now that a regular Canadian herd book has been established those who have entered their stock in the American herd book are naturally anxious to have the Canadian one fully up to the standard, which it will be, and on lines that will be acceptable to the American association so that animals registered in Canada will be accepted without question in the United States. In order to facilitate matters James Bowman was authorized to act as inspector of all animals and herds the owners of which had been recording at Toronto. The progeny of bulls with scurs, and more white than the rules allow, will be cut out entirely. In the meantime it will be advisable for any breeders of Daddies in Canada to notify the secretary of any animals recorded at Toronto and not in the American herd book, and thus facilitate the inspection. This arrangement was generally acceptable. A resolution was also passed asking for a simpler application form than the one now in use at Ottawa. The secretary's salary was placed at \$100. Harmony and a keen desire to bring this valuable beef breed of cattle to the front characterized the proceedings.

Auction Sale of Fillies.

The auction sale of Clydesdale fillies advertised by Mr. S. J. Prouse to be held on July 27th came off according to schedule in the C. P. R. sale pavilion before a small crowd of buyers. The whole fifty head were sold and it is to be hoped Mr. Prouse was not a loser on the transaction, although it is difficult to see how he could make anything. The average price was in the neighborhood of \$275, so that it will be seen that the buyers got work horses cheap with the breeding thrown in. The sale showed the futility of putting on a sale at this time of year, especially during exhibition week and in Winnipeg. Last April the same bunch of fillies would have sold up to their value in any of the good agricultural towns further west, but Winnipeg is no place for farmers' sales. McMichael Bros. of Qu'Appelle were large buyers taking fully half the offering. Val Winkler of Morden bought a fine pair at \$860, A. and J. Morrison got one, P. M. Brett, Regina, got a few, A. J. Howe of Rouleau took a pair, Oliver Hunter, Pilot Mound, a pair, Jno. Ramsay, Lauder, a pair, Glen Campbell, Gilbert Plains, several head, D. A. Fraser, Emerson, a pair and B.C. Parker of Morden several head. All the purchasers were thoroughly pleased with the straightforward manner in which the sale was conducted, and not a few gave Mr. Prouse further orders for stock.

Over two thousand people were in Indian Head the first day of the annual excursion to the Indian Head experimental farm.

Events of the World.

CANADIAN.

Vancouver is to have a new \$10,000 bathing pavilion.

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The foreign trade of Canada for the year ending with June, 1906, was five hundred and fifty-two million dollars, an increase of nearly eighty-two millions over the previous year.

Rev. Hugh and Mrs. Pedley of Montreal were saved from drowning when their canoe capsized in the St. Lawrence at Brockville, by the prompt action of thirteen-year-old Charlie Flemming of Ottawa, who swam out, righted the canoe and dived for Mrs. Pedley.

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The Indian chiefs of British Columbia, who are bound for England to complain to the king of the indignities and oppressions they suffer, have reached Quebec and will embark on the Lake Manitoba.

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A typographical error in the printing of the terms of the Lord's Day Act in the parliamentary *Gazette* omitted the word "nor" from term 15 which should read: "No action or prosecution for violation of this act shall be commenced without the leave of the attorney-general for the province in which the offense is alleged to have been committed *nor* after the expiration of sixty days."

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Radium has been found in the province of Quebec near Murray Bay, and from tests made the find appears to be a valuable one. Silicate is said to have been found at Cobalt by Prof. Hidden. Silicate has never before been found in North America, Saxony being the only source of supply heretofore.

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The Alberta Education Department has been in existence just ten months, and has already added a hundred and twelve new school buildings in the province, an increase of twenty per cent on the original number.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Socorro, New Mexico, suffered a severe earthquake shock.

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Russel Sage, the American multimillionaire who has just died, is said to have left nearly a hundred million dollars.

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The Bishop of Zululand makes a statement accusing the British troops of having looted and murdered during the recent effort to quell the revolt in Natal.

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Mr. Samuel Fingland, manager of the photographic department of Glasgow University is visiting Canada east and west. His special errand here as captain of an old country bowling team, is to meet the Ontario Bowlers in a series of games. Mr. Fingland is president of the Scottish Bowling Association.

Things to Remember.

Managers of shows whose dates do not appear in our list will confer a favor on our readers by sending in the date or calling our attention to errors.

Lakeside Fair, Killarney Aug. 7, 8-9
Regina " 9, 10-11
Prov. Exhibition, New Westminster, B. C., Oct. 2-6

SASKATCHEWAN FAIR CIRCUITS.

S. Qu'Appelle	August 2-3
Moosomin	" 7
Wolseley	" 8
Wapella	" 9
Rosthern	" 9-10
Sintaluta	" 10
Ft. Qu'Appelle	" 14
Oxbow	" 14
Fairmeade	August 15
Grenfell	" 16
Stoughton	" 2
Creelman	" 3
Moose Jaw	" 7-8
Regina	" 8, 9-10
Prince Albert	" 14-15
Alameda	" 7
Carnduff	" 8
Gainsboro	" 9
Carlyle	" 10
Kinistino	September 21
Quill Lake	" 27
Duck Lake	" 28
Broadview	" 25
Maple Creek	" 27
Estevan	" 28
Saskatoon	October 2-3
Lloydminster	" 12
Battleford	" 9
North Battleford	" 10

ALBERTA FAIR CIRCUITS.

Fort Saskatchewan	August 14
Lethbridge	" 16-17
Cardston	September 18
Magrath	" 20
Raymond	" 21
Olds	" 24-25
Didsbury	" 26
Vermillion Valley and Beaver Lake (Vegreville)	" 27-28
Medicine Hat	October 2-3
Macleod	" 4-5
Red Deer	" 9-10
Ponoka	" 11-12
Innisfail	" 12

MANITOBA FAIR CIRCUITS.

Birtle	August
Strathclair	"
Oak River	" 9

Boissevain	13-14
Hamiota	" 14
Dauphin	" 16
Swan River	" 17
Souris	" 6-7
Manitou	" 9-10
Horticultural Show, Brandon	" 23-24
Western Horticultural Society's Exhibition, Winnipeg	Aug 29-31
Woodlands	September 28
Kildonan	" 26-27
St. Francois Xavier	October 3
Stonewall	" 2
St. Jean	" 4
Beausejour	" 3
Plumas	" 5
Gilbert Plains	" 3
Macgregor	" 5
Russell	" 10
Meadow Lea	" 10
Headingley	" 23
Harding	" 25

MARKETS

Thompson, Sons & Co. say.—The past week has seen a good deal of nervous activity in the American speculative markets. Rust damage stories about the spring wheat crop here have been assiduously posted in the foreground of market gossip by those interested in the long side of wheat, and these have temporarily scared operators on the short side and caused sharp spurts in prices. From evidence and reports published during the week, there is no doubt that there is in some districts of the Dakotas and Manitoba a good deal of red rust on the leaves of the wheat, but it is not considered that any important damage is caused by it. The great damage by rust is, when through favorable conditions of weather the red rust develops into black rust and attacks the stem, and up to the present date, if there is any black rust anywhere, it is so slight as to be not worth noticing, except for the fact that its presence, even in a small degree might be followed by its spreading to an indefinite extent if conditions turned favorable. The crop, however, is another week further on towards maturity, and generally it has been a very favorable week for it; this applies to all the country covered by the Dakotas, Minnesota, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. While we consider that rust has done no appreciable damage to the spring wheat crop up to the present date, and that the danger from it is being minimised through the advance of the season, we regret having to write that during the week we have had several reports indicating that a good deal of the crop in some districts gives signs of smaller yield than previously estimated. This is principally the case on light, sandy soils, and on stubble plowing on the heavier soils. Summer fallowed land and new broken land almost invariably promise a heavy yield, sometimes 30 to 40 bus. per acre, but on these poor fields we write of, many will not harvest more than 10 to 15 bus. per acre, and some perhaps not even so much as that. This sort of thing has only come into plain evidence recently, the crop being further advanced and headed out loses the fresh and fuller appearance of June growth, and shows at the stage it has arrived at, the want of sufficient moisture, or absence of nourishment in the soil. We are not prepared yet to reduce our previous estimate of 100,000,000 bus. for the Western Canadian crop, but we begin to feel a little doubtful of reaching fully that quantity. While the above is the situation of the American spring wheat crop as well as we know how to put it, there is no doubt as to the abundance and fine quantity of the U. S. winter crop.

On the week, prices in the U. S. markets are 1c. to 1½c. lower. Our Winnipeg market shows more steadiness than the U. S. markets, with a decline of only ¼ to ½c. from a week ago. Conditions outside of America show no important change during the week, except that the world's shipments continue on the small scale of the previous week. Manitoba wheat in our Winnipeg market has been dull but firm for cash wheat, and fairly active in the October future on the option market. Prices are 1 Nor. 80½, 2 Nor. 77½, 3 Nor. 75, spot or July delivery; and on the option market, futures are July 79½, August 80, October 77, December 75 and May 80. All prices are for in store Fort William or Port Arthur.

OATS—No. 2 white	32	@	32½
BARLEY—No. 3	41	@	41
FLAX—No. 1	1 00	@	1 03
MILLFEED, per ton—			
Bran	15 00	@	15 50
Shorts	16 00	@	16 50
Oat chop	27 00		
Barley chop	20 00		
HAY, per ton, cars on track			
Winnipeg	8 50	@	9 00
Loose loads	10 00	@	12 00
POTATOES, new	2½		
BUTTER—			
Creamery, boxes at factory	18½	@	19
Dairy, straight lots at country points	13	@	14½
CHEESE—			
Manitoba, finest	11	@	11½