



MANITOBA SECTION

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FAVOR DIRECT LEGISLATION.

At a meeting of the Lorneville Association on June 18, the following resolutions were passed. First—"That this association is in favor of the Initiative, the Referendum and the Recall." Second—"That this association is in favor of some measure of hail insurance that will be less expensive and consequently more remunerative than that of the companies now doing hail insurance business in the province."

Another meeting of the association was held on June 23. President W. Sykes and W. Channon were appointed to represent the Lorneville branch when the Association meets Sir Wilfrid at Brandon on July 18. A resolution was passed urging the necessity of the Dominion Government owning and operating the terminal elevators. A resolution was passed demanding the construction and operation of the Hudson Bay Railway, the road to be built at as early a date as possible. The tariff question was discussed at considerable length and was finally left to the judgment of the delegates when brought up at Brandon to be dealt with. The meeting adjourned to meet again on July 28 at 8 p.m. to hear the report of the delegates to Brandon.

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PICNIC AT CARMAN.

The Carman Branch of the Grain Growers' Association held a very successful picnic in the beautiful grove on the farm of Isaac Campbell, two miles west of Carman, on the afternoon of June 28. Practically all the neighboring farmers with their families were gathered on the picnic grounds, on which there were long tables arranged and dinner partaken of about one o'clock. A couple of hours were then spent in a social way, every one trying to get acquainted with his neighbor and discussing the crops. In the middle of the afternoon, addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Davis, E. A. August, James Riddell, R. McKenzie, Secretary of the Grain Growers' Association, and others. After the close of the addresses supper was served and the rest of the evening was spent in games and amusement. This is the first annual picnic of the Carman Association, and every one present voted for a repetition each succeeding year, so that it may be taken for granted that an annual picnic is going to be one of the established institutions of the Carman Grain Growers.

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NO SATISFACTORY ADJUSTMENT.

At a meeting of the Wawanesa Grain Growers' Association on June 20, the following resolution moved by J. E. Green and R. Wallace was passed: "That this association, having inquired into certain claims of T. E. N. Banting against the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, who have neglected to make satisfactory adjustment, do hereby request the Executive of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association to give support and assistance to Mr. Banting in securing an equitable settlement of his claims aforesaid in the interest of this individual sufferer and for the better security and protection of the Grain Growers whose property is liable to suffer injury."

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A NEW BRANCH.

A meeting of farmers was held at Silverwood, Man., schoolhouse, and considering the state of the elements and shortness of notice of meeting, a good crowd was present to listen to an address delivered by R. J. Avison of Gilbert Plains, one of the directors of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, who appeared in the interests of the Association. Mr. Avison spoke at considerable length on the benefits of organization and roused such enthusiasm in his audience that after listening to his address a branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association was formed, every farmer present becoming a member. John Kennedy was elected president, Donald Stewart, vice-president, Augustus R. Lade, secretary.

Our first meeting is to be held on June 30, when as our organization has become more wide-spread we are expecting to enroll several more members.

AUGUSTUS R. LADE, Sec'y.

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ALL FARMERS SIGNED.

A general meeting of the Hilton Grain Growers' Association was held on June 11. The petition for an elevator at Hilton was signed by those present and the petition to the Railway Commission, re station agent, was also signed. The former has since been signed by 100 per cent. of the farmers drawing wheat to Hilton and forwarded to the elevator commission. Mr. James Hill, president of this branch.

"That this branch is in favor of the speedy construction of the Hudson Bay Railroad and the taking over of the terminal elevators."

ROBERT WALLACE, Sec'y.

Austin, Man.

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HARTNEY PLOWING MATCH.

The Plowing Match, on Wednesday, June 22, under the auspices of the Hartney Agricultural Society, was attended by about two hundred persons, mostly farmers, and much interest was taken in the proceedings. There was also an opportunity given to witness the gasoline engine gang plow at work on the farm of Mr. G. Taylor. This machine is capable

RE BRANDON MEETING

The Executive of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association have asked for a conference with Sir Wilfrid Laurier on his proposed Western tour. Sir Wilfrid has written that he will be pleased to meet the delegates of the Grain Growers at Brandon, on the afternoon of Monday, July 18. It is proposed to present to Sir Wilfrid and his party, the views of the Grain Growers' Association of Manitoba, on the question of government ownership of the terminal elevators; the building of the Hudson's Bay Railway as a government enterprise; reduction of the tariff; the advisability of the government entering into negotiations with the United States Government with reciprocity treaty, and improved methods of exporting chilled meat and other farm products. The Executive believe that a good purpose would be served, did every branch of the Association send one or more delegates to this conference with Sir Wilfrid. A large demonstration of Grain Growers would convince him that the farmers are in earnest upon those subjects. The farmers seldom have an opportunity of expressing their views to public men and every effort should be made to make this conference a success. The railroads have agreed to grant the regular convention rates to delegates. Secure the usual standard certificate when you buy your ticket to Brandon. If one hundred delegates are present you will get your return ticket free, if less than a hundred one-third rate. Remember the date.

R. MCKENZIE

Sec'y. M. G. G. A.

was appointed delegate to attend the conference at Brandon to meet Sir Wilfrid Laurier. It was agreed to have a picnic at Hilton on June 28 under the auspices of the Grain Growers' Association and a committee was appointed to make arrangements for same.

J. GARVEN, Sec'y.

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FOR SIR WILFRID.

A resolution was passed at Austin branch of the Grain Growers to be forwarded to the executive for presentation to Sir Wilfrid Laurier when in the province?

of turning about twenty acres a day, and the work is very satisfactory. In the plowing contest proper there were only eight entries. The judges were Prof. Bedford, D. B. Gunn, of Winnipeg, and J. Taylor of Elgin. The prizes were awarded as follows:—

Boys under 20, walking plow, no entries.
Boys under 20, 12 inch gang, W. W. Cram 1st, \$15.

Boys under 20, 14 inch gang, C. Mellenchuck 1st, \$15.

Men, walking plow, J. McDowall 1st, \$10; E. Irvine, 2nd, \$8.

MANITOBA GRAIN GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

HONORARY PRESIDENT:

J. W. SCALLION - - - VIRDEN

PRESIDENT:

D. W. MCCUAIG, PORTAGELLA PRAIRIE

VICE-PRESIDENT:

R. C. HENDERS - - - CULMORA

SECRETARY-TREASURER:

R. MCKENZIE - - - WINNIPEG

DIRECTORS:

Peter Wright, Myrtle; R. M. Wilson, Marringhurst; P. W. Kerr, Souris; G. H. Malcolm, Birtle; J. S. Woods, Oakville; R. J. Avison, Gilbert Plains.

Men, 12 inch gang, no entries.

Men, 14 inch gang, T. R. Knox 1st, \$15. Wm. Barrach 2nd, \$12. Geo. Knox 3rd, \$8.

Best teamster gang, T. R. Knox, \$6.
Best Teamster walking, J. McDowall, \$4.

Sweepstakes, special, Massey-Harris cultivator, value \$10, J. McDowall.

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DELEGATES TO BRANDON.

A meeting of the Pine Creek Grain Growers was held on June 27. Moved by J. Bennett and seconded by M. Watson: "That we send \$15 to the Central executive, this being half of the money made at the Pine Creek Grain Growers' picnic on June 22, and that we retain the other half to pay delegates expenses to Brandon to meet the Premier." Motion was carried.

Moved by Wm. Johnson and seconded by M. Watson: "That J. Bennett be a delegate to Brandon." Motion was carried.

Moved by Wm. Johnson and seconded by J. Bennett: "That E. Stewart be second delegate to Brandon." Motion was carried.

Moved by M. Watson and seconded by D. McCuaig: "That we adjourn to meet again on July 23 to hear the report of the delegates from Brandon. Motion was carried."

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MR. WADDELL DID NOT APPEAR

The following is a report of Minnedosa district gathering of Grain Growers for the purpose of considering resolutions to present to prospective candidates for the legislature. Seven live associations were represented at the meeting. John Allan was appointed chairman and Will Channon, secretary.

The following associations were represented: Moorepark, Minnedosa, Empire, Bethany, Franklin, Rookhurst, Lorneville.

After considerable discussion the following resolutions were adopted: To the Grain Growers' Association: "That I, hereby pledge myself a member of the provincial legislature of Manitoba, to use my influence and support to the best of my ability in the interests of the farmers on any measure brought before the house by the government or opposition, and especially by the executive of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, or any district convention of aforesaid association."

"Resolved, that in the opinion of this meeting each sub association of Grain Growers should send a delegate to rep-



Farm of George S. Fraser, Sec. Hamiota G.G.A.

Took 2nd Prize in Farm Competition at Hamiota, 1909