

were made at the office of the Agriculture and Arts Association. The registration of Berkshires was begun in 1876; of Suffolks in 1884; of Improved Yorkshires in 1889; of Chester Whites and Poland-Chinas in 1891, and of Tamworths a little later. In 1891 the association made an arrangement with the Agriculture and Arts Association for the publication of the first swine herd book, and since that time it has exercised complete control over all matters pertaining to swine registration. But the actual work of registration, until December 31st, 1895, still continued to be done at the office of the Agriculture and Arts Association, by Mr. Wade, the secretary. At the beginning of this year (1896) an agreement was made with the newly-appointed provincial registrar of live stock (Mr. Wade), by which in future



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all registrations of swine shall be made by him; but the establishment of rules and regulations for registration, as well as the editing of the record books, and the publication thereof, remain wholly within the province of the association. So far, five volumes of records have been published, the registrations in them being as follows: Berkshires, 6,900; Improved Yorkshires, 3,673; Chester Whites, 1,124; Poland-Chinas, 1,552; Tamworths, 711; Duroc-Jerseys, 139; Suffolks, 386.

CONNECTION WITH FAT STOCK SHOW.

A large part of the duties of the association is its share in the management of the Provincial Fat

Stock Show, to which it annually contributes a handsome sum for money prizes in the swine classes. The success of the Provincial Fat Stock Show has undoubtedly been largely due to the interest taken in it by the Sheep and Swine Breeders' Associations, and to the munificent money contributions made to it by them. On the other hand, the success of the show reacts on the sheep and swine industries of the province, benefiting them by causing more and more attention to be paid to breeding for market requirements.

ORGANIZATION.

The constitution of the Dominion Swine Breeders' Association was revised last year, and is almost identical with the constitutions of the Cattle and Sheep Breeders' Associations. The officers for 1896 are: President, J. E. Brethour, Burford; Vice-President, George Green, Fairview; Secretary-Treasurer, F. W. Hodson, Guelph. Directors: *Yorkshires*, Major G. B. Hood, Guelph; *Berkshires*, Thomas Teasdale, Concord; *Suffolks*, R. Dorsey, Burnhamthorpe; *Chester Whites*, R. H. Harding, Thorndale; *Poland-Chinas*, W. Jones, Mount Elgin; *Essex*, J. Featherston, M.P., Streetsville; *Tamworths*, Andrew Elliot, Galt; *Duroc-Jerseys*, W. E. Butler, Dereham Centre; Grades, J. C. Snell, Snelgrove. *O.A.C. Director*: G. E. Day, B.S.A. Prominent members of the association who have taken a deep interest in its welfare are J. M. Hurley, Belleville; John Bell, Amber; E. E. Martin, Canning; H. J. Davis, Woodstock; James Main, Milton; S. Coxworth, Whitby; J. Y. Ormsby, Woodstock; A. F. McGill, Hillsburg; D. DeCourcy, Bornholm; Peter Lamarsh, Wheatley; J. G. Snell, Snelgrove; R. Vance, Ida; W. H. Freeman, Hamilton; C. T. Garbutt, Claremont; George Thompson, Bright; D. A. Graham, Parkhill; J. C. Nichol, Hubrey; E. D. George, Putnam; Oliver Drury, Fargo; James H. Shaw, Simcoe; W. H. Spencer, Morpeth; Joseph Cairns, Camlachie; R. B. McMullen, Goldsmith; W. McAllister, Varna; T. A. Cox, Brantford; W. T. Elliot, Hamilton; R. Willis, jr., Glen Meyer; C. R. Decker, Chesterfield; G. Bennett, Charing Cross; T. Watson, Springvale; Gideon Snyder, Jarvis; C. Anstice, Springford; W. H. O'Dell, Belmont; A. Elliott, Pond Mills.

THE PROVINCIAL WINTER SHOW.

The shows of live stock and other sorts of agricultural produce held every year in Ontario by enterprising associations have done a very great deal towards bringing our agricultural industry to its present pitch of excellence. Of these shows first and foremost mention should be made