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SHOWS AND SHOWING.

Trotting and Pacing at the Industrial.

The entries for the trotting and pacing competitions at the terosto Industrial have to be made not later than August 15th. he prize list, which is now issued and ready for distribution, how that good purses (from \$100 to \$300) are offered. The rents are as follows: 2.50 trot, 2.50 pace, 3.30 trot, open trot or ace, stallion race, gents' single horse trot, and farmers' trot or ace. The prize list gives full particulars. Write to H. J. Hill, heronto, for a copy.

The Toronto Exhibition.

The prize list for the Industrial Exhibition at Toronto, to be held this year from August 27th to September 8th, will be out in a few days. The publication has been delayed somewhat for the conditions of a number of special prizes that will be offered. Some rather important changes will be found in the cattle regulations when the prize lists are issued. Instead of animals being eligible only for registering, they will have to be registered. The rule providing that "in case of grade animals, pedigrees must be given to show that they are at least half-bred," has been struck out. The rule requiring cows to be milked dry the evening before the day of judging has been changed to read that they shall be milked dry between the hours of 6 and 8 o'clock. A clause has been inserted requesting judges not to refer to the catalogue when engaged in judging. The Dominion Shorthorn Association has again supplemented the prizes given for Shorthorns by a gift of \$750.

In the division devoted to horses a class for saddle horses and hunters has been added, the conditions being to jump over hurdles 3 feet 6 inches in height, to carry 160 pounds, and to be ridden by owners, who must not be dealers or professional riders. Three prizes are to be given.

The Sheep and Swine Committee have decided that all sheep must bear the ear tags of their association. In sheep, class 15, Merino has been struck out, for want of competitors, in accordance with notice given last year. In swine last year's entries were so large that it was thought a mistake would be made if any changes were made. The prizes for export bacon hogs introduced last year will be continued. No change of importance will be found in the dairy classes. The prize list for the Industrial Exhibition at Toronto to be

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The closing year of the century gives every prospect of developing the most successful show yet held by this Association, which was first organized in 1867. Since that time the Directors have been ever progressive. Last year, it will be remembered, a great many changes were made in the location of the various buildings other than the main one, and large additions were made to many. This year will witness many further additions, together with such added conveniences as the experience of the past has suggested, and for which the success of the past has left ample financial provision. The removal and additions to the Agricultural, Horticultural, Dairy, and Machinery buildings have not only greatly increased the capacity of each, but have had the effect of adding to the natural beauty of the grounds, so that while the useful purposes of the Fair are largely increased, the artistic effect is at the same time greatly enhanced. A straight driveway now extends from the main entrance to the miniature lake, and an unobstructed view of the whole grounds is obtained immediately upon entrance. The removal of the general offices to a more convenient spot, the alterations in the horse barns, the addition of a new swine building, the enlargement of the ladies' saloon; in fact, all the various improvements on the grounds and buildings are all designed with a special view to the com-

fort and pleasure of the visitors. Some of the largest manufacturers of agricultural implements in the United States are inquiring for space, with a view to introducing their goods into

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animals in the ring, the attraction committee have this year eclipsed all previous efforts in the way of providing thribing and sensational acrobatic features.

Several important additions have been made to the prize list, copies of which may be had on application personally or by letter to Mr. J. A. Nelles, the Secretary, who will be pleased to give full information to all. In form, the entry blanks are similar to last year's. This form has been universally commended as the most simple and complete yet devised, and its acceptance should be urged on all fair committees, as improvement in such a matter would be found a benefit to all concerned. On the whole, we feel safe in predicting that the Western Fair, of London, to be held Sept. 6th to 15th, will be a genuine success. It may interest our readers to know that there is no longer any street railway troubles in London, and that there will be no repetition of any discomforts from this cause.

Fairs of 1900.

CANADA.

Winnipeg	July 23rd to 28th,
Brandon Man	July 31st to Aug. 3rd.
Stanstead, Que	Aug. 22nd and 23rd,
Toronto	Aug. 27th to Sept. 8th.
Morrishurgh	Aug. 29th and 30th.
Sherbrooke, Que	Sept. 3rd to 8th.
London	Sept. 6th to 15th.
Kingston	Sept. 10th to 14th.
St John's N R	Sept. 10th to 19th.
Vankleek Hill	Sept. 11th to 13th.
Richmond	Sept. 12th and 13th.
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Ottawa	Sept. 14th to 22nd.
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Donfrow	Sept. 27th and 28th.
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There is probably no better method of improving an agricultural education than that of regularly visiting the fall fairs. Here the agriculturist finds a broed of horses or catile—or, in fact, any sort of live stock—of which he has read or heard. He is not only enabled to examine and inspect for himself, but to meet the owner or breeder, and obtain any information he may require. Thus he not only has the value of the lessons learned from his own observation, but also of the other fellow's experience in the raising and the caring for the stock. The same holds good with regard to improved varieties of seeds, the latest inventions in farming and dairying machinery, and the practical and actual results of the advances of science and art along every line. These benefits, coupled with the healthful relaxation of an outing, brief though it be, make the trifling cost of the visit to the exhibition appear, not in the light of an extravagance or a luxury, but as an investment which cannot fail to pay an enormous dividend. The wide awake, up-to-date farmet does not spend a cent on exhibitions which does not return to him. A few cash prizes are secured, and his expenses are thus covered. In this way his visit to the fair costs him little, and he comes in for a lot of first-class advertising free of charge. Another direct advantage of agricultural exhibitions is the establishment of a spirit of friendly rivarily. Each comes to view with his neighbor in producing a better grade of stock, a fine class of poultry, or a superior quality of dairy products. This cannot fail to produce good results. There is as direct a profit to the farmer in dollars and cents in the improvement which must follow this effort as though the money were paid into his hands in the shape of a bonus. Even though he may never win a prize, he is the richer to the extent that this competitive spirit has raised the gradeot his stock.

The Central Canada Exhibition Association at Ottawa, recognizing the value to the extent of procur

As predicted recently, the attendance at many of the large British agricultural shows this year shows a falling off, largely on account of the South African war. At the Bath and West the visitors numbered only 19,324, as against 55,923 at Exetlast year, and 55,600 at Cardiff in 1898. When the Bath and West Society previously held its show at Bath, nine years ago, the attendance amounted to no less than 75,635. The gate receipts show a corresponding decine.

GOSSIP.

H. Gee & Sons, Fisherville, Ont., write: "We have had a very successful season with our Barred Rocks, and have a lot of promising youngsters coming on. Our Shropshire ewes are sired by a son of Newton Lord and a ram bred by J. P. Phin, and we used a son of impadontford Beauty, purchased from Messrs. Cooper. The lambs are a nice even lot, low, broad and thick, with dense fleeces, and well covered all over. We will only have a few to spare, but they are all good ones."

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For a family cow, perhaps there are none that surpass the Jersey, as their milk, cream and butter are highly prized for domestic purposes. As a rule, cows of this breed are particularly tractable, as well as being generally admired for their beauty. Mr. W. C. Shearer, Bright, Out., makes a specialty of breeding and training cows for that purpose, and at present has a problem of the proposed in the purpose. number of good ones in milk that are said to be right in every way.

James Bowman, Guelph, Ont., writes: "We have lately sold four head of young Aberdeen-Angus stock to Col. Jay L. Torry, of the Embar Cattle Co.. Wyoming; a bull calf to W. R. Bowman, Mount Forest; a cow to John Bell. Waverley, Ont.; and yearling bull to John Broadfoot, Fergus. Our stock are in good healthy shape. I also sold quite a quantity of Mandscheuri barley and Daubeney oats, also seed potatoes, through advertising in the FARMER'S ADVOCATE."

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Jos. Yuill & Sons, Carleton Place, Ont., write: "Inclosed please find change of advertisement. Our Ayrshire cows are milking extra well. We have a fine lot of yearling heifers, and we have four fine young bulls one year and a half old, which we are offering at a very reasonable figure, to make room for the new crop which will sone commence. Our young stock were figure, to make room for the new crop which will soon commence. Our young stock were all sired by the successful prize bull, Jock of Burnside. We have sold Jock of Burnside = 1681 = to Kelly & McKibbin, Montreal; Sandy of Burnside = 10063 = to W. W. Tremble, Munster, Ontario; five shearling Shropshire ewes to John Hill. Wellesley, Ont.; and have done a good business in Berkshires. We have a number of promising ram lambs and Berkshires of the best bacon type to dispose of yet." the best bacon type to dispose of yet."

A CANADIAN PROMOTED. A CANADIAN PROMOTED.

Less than a year ago Mr. J. J. Ferguson, B.S. A., of Smith's Falls. Ont., accepted a position on the staff of the Michigan Agricultural College, in the capacity of instructor in dairying and assistant professor of live stock husbandry. We now learn with pleasure of his promotion to the important position of instructor in live stock husbandry in that institution.

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It is unfortunate that the directors of the three leading exhibitions in the Maritime Provinces have failed to agree upon dates which would afford exhibitors the opportunity of taking them in on a circuit. The number of live-stock exhibits in the pure-bred classes being somewhat limited in those Provinces, the division is liable to weaken the display considerably. As at present arranged and published, the dates are for St. John, Sept. 10th to 19th; Halifax, Sept. 12th to 29th. Of course, exhibitors can, under this arrangement, take in two out of the three, but it would have been much more satisfactory if they could have gone the round of the three, or their choice of any two. We hope, however, to learn that an increased number of breeders will prepare stock for exhibition and that the shows will all prove successful. ssful.

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A pamphlet containing preliminary classification, also general rules and regulations of the International Live Stock Exposition to beheld in Chicago, Dec. I to 8, 1900, has been issued by the Secretary, Mortimer Levering, Lafayette, Ind. While the classification given will probably be amended, it seems to give a fairly accurate idea of the classification of live stock to be prepared for. The money offerings published are claimed by the Committee to be fairly accurate so far as they go, but it is expected some specials not yet included will be added before the final prize list is issued. The breeding classes include the various ages of bulls and cows, as well as herd and single champions of the following breeds: Hereford, Shorthorn, Aberdeen-Angus, Galloway, Red Poll, Polled Durham and Devon and Sussex. The single prizes given by the Association run about \$30, \$25, \$20, and \$10, to which is added in the cases of Shorthorns for instance, S. H. Associations specials, as follows: 1st, \$15; 2nd, \$15; 3rd, 4th and 5th, \$40 each: 6th, \$25; 7th, \$15, and 8th, \$10. The herd and champion awards are dealt with equally liberally, both by the Exposition Association and by the breed Associations. The fat cattle classes for steers and spayed heifers are receiving due attention for single animals of various ages, herds of three head, as well as carloads and dressed carcasses. Carloads include 15 or 20 head, as the case may be, and the prizes run from \$100, \$30 and \$25, to \$200, \$100 and \$30, with some breed specials as high as \$300, \$200 and \$100.

The sheep department includes the following breeds: Shropshire, Southdown, Oxford, Hampshire, Dorset, Cheviot, Cotswold, Lincoln, Leicester, and Rambouillets. The prizes offered by the Exposition Association run about \$12, \$8 and \$5 for single animals, and \$20, \$10 and \$5 for flocks, which amounts have been supplemented by duplicate or larger offerings. The fat sheep division includes classification for the following breeds: Poland China, Berk-hire, C

various ages, the premiums for which run about \$15 and \$10, and \$20 for champions and herds. The car lots and other specials are well-provided for. There will be dressed carcas-competitions in both sheep and swine, as well

cattle as in cattle.

In addition to the meat stock classes, there are classes for draft horses of the various breeds, Percheron, Clydesdale, Shire, Suffolk, Belgian, and French draft. The offerings are liberal, running from \$30, \$35 and \$20 to \$75, \$60 and \$40 for single animals, up to \$150, \$125 and \$100 for six-horse teams to waggon.

The general manager. W. E. Skinner, Union Stock Yards, Chicago, will gladly supply prize lists and information to all who make application.

Holstein-Friesian Breeders Meet. The fifteenth annual meeting of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America was held in Buffalo on June 6th. The attendance of breeders was good, the interest keen, and enthusiasm great. The report of the treasurer showed the Association to have on hand \$17,038.77. Superintendent of the Advanced Register has registered 289 animals during the last year. Of these,257 are of cows with official butter records made under the supervision of representatives of State experiment stations. Twenty-five of the same were accompanied with net-profit records, also supervised by representatives of the station. Of the total number of entries, 11 are of bulls. Also of the total number, 21 are cows with unofficial records.

The appropriation of a sum not to exceed \$2,000 was made for distribution as special prizes in the discretion of the Board of Officers. This does not include the money set aside for the Pan-American Exposition test.

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Encouragement for authenticated butter-fat and food tests was continued for the coming year. The Executive Committee is given the same amount of money as last year for this purpose. The Literary Committee expended about \$400 of its \$2,000 appropriation last year in exploiting the breed. The same financial lee vay was allowed it for a furtherance of its work.

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President, W. A. Matteson, Utica, N. Y.;
First Vice-President, W. J. Gillett, Rosendale, Wis.; Second Vice-President, A. A. Cortelyou, Neshanic Station, N. J.; Third Vice-President, S. Burchard, Hamilton, N. Y. Directors: L. T. Yeomans, Walworth, N. Y.; W. B. Barney, Hampton, Ia.; W. S. Carpenter, Menominee, Mich. (the latter succeeding Mr. W. G. Powell, Shadeland, Pa., to the value of whose services on the Board the past seventeen years earnest testimony was borne by Messrs. S. Hoxie and D. H. Burrilli. Treasurer, Wing R. Smith, Syracuse, N. Y.; Superintendent of Advanced Registry, S. Hoxie, Yorkville, N. Y.; Secretary, Frederick L. Houghton, Brattleboro, Vt. Secretary W. St. George Clemmons, of the Canadian Holstein-Friesian Association, profered a request to have registration in the herd book of that Association accepted on this side of the line. The subject was seferred to the Board without recommendation.

Mr. S. A. Converse, Superintendent of Agriculture and Live Stock at the Pan-American Exposition to be held at Buffalo in 1901, was in-

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troduced, and spoke briefly of the proposed live stock show and dairy tests, in which the coperation of seven breeds was hoped for. On motion of Mr. L. T. Yoomans, the Association decided to enter the Holstein-Friesians in the test if the conditions were satisfactory to the Board of Officers, and the Board was authorized to expend whatever money it deemed necessary for that purpose. Special prizes-for cattle in the showring at Buffalo will be offered from the general appropriation already made for specials at fairs.

At a meeting of the Board of Officers \$5,000 was appropriated for the Pan-lamerican test, all details to be in the hands of E. A. Powell, Syracuse, Y. Y.; D. H. Burrill, Little Falls, N. Y.; W. A. Matteson, Utica, N. Y.; W. B. Barney, Hampton, Ia., and L. T. Yeomans, Walworth, N. Y.

The Executive Committee of the Association was thus constituted: L. T. Yeomans, D. H. Burrill, W. A. Matteson, W. S. Carpenter, and W. B. Barney. Committee on Special Prizes: Frederick L. Houghton, W. A. Matteson, S. Burchard.

The Treasurer's report showed receipts

The Treasurer's report showed receipts \$25,092.40, disbursements \$8,053.72, and a balance on hand of \$17,038.77.

American Clydesdale Stud Book.—Vol. IX. of the stud book of the American Clydesdale Association contains 1,000 pedigrees, numbering 8,001 to 2,000, inclusive. It is gotten up in its usual excellent form, being compiled and edited by the Secretary, Mr. Alex. Galbraith, Janesville, Wis. The pedigrees of the animals are arranged in alphabetical order, the horses coming foremost in the volume. Several high-class illustrations grace pages of the book at varying intervals, one of the animals portrayed being Lyon Macgregor, owned by Robert Davies, Toronto, Ontario. Handsome Prince, Premier Prince and Lord Lyndock are also pictured in lifelike form. The volume also contains extended pedigrees of a number of notable stallions and mares, tracing them on the sides of sires and dains to Clyde 155, Glancer 335, Farmers' Fancy 297, and other noted foundation stock.