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The seventeenth annual meeting of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada will be held at the Albion Hotel, Toronto, on Tuesday, Feb. 6th, 1900, at one o'clock p. m. The Executive Committee will meet at ten o'clock. Mr. A. C. Hallman, New Dundee, Ont., gives notice that he will move to reduce the registry fees for animals over one year old; also transfer fees. Everyone interested in Holstein-Friesian cattle is invited to attend. Members will please note that the annual fee for 1900 is due Feb. 1st. Wm. G. Killis, President; G. W. Clemons, Secretary.

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OFFICIAL TESTS OF HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN COWS FROM JULY 1 TO NOVEMBER 1, 1899.

These tests were made by Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations. The age is at the date of calving; the test is for seven consecutive days, commencing at the close of the day from calving; the fat is determined by the Babcock test, and the butter is estimated first at 80 per cent. fat to a pound, the ratio employed at the World's Fair; and second at 85 5-7 per cent. fat, the method of the Agricultural Colleges. Summary: The average product of butter of cows five years old or over is 16 lbs. 9.3 oz. at 80 per cent. fat, or 15 lbs. 8 oz. at 85 5-7 per cent. fat; of those between four and five years it is 14 lbs. 9.9 oz. at 80 per cent. fat, or 13 lbs. 10.3 oz. at 85 5-7 per cent. fat; of those between three and four years old, 13 lbs. 4 oz. at 80 per cent. fat, or 12 lbs. 5.8 oz. at 85 5-7 per cent. fat; and of those under three years old, 11 lbs. 3.6 oz. at 80 per cent. fat, or 10 lbs. 6.7 oz. at 85 per cent. fat. The total number of tests, 24.

S. HOXIE,  
Supt. Advanced Register, Holstein-Friesian Association,  
Yorkville, N. Y., Nov. 28, 1899.

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