

Sheep at Toronto

The sheep exhibit at the National Exhibition, Toronto, numbered nearly 800 entries, and comprised a large percentage of good things. There were fewer culls among them than has been on hand for several years. Most of the sheep were fitted in Ontario, which is further proof of the ability of the Canadian flock master to feed and fit his sheep. The sheep, however, did not seem to be naturally as fleshy as in some former years. This is somewhat difficult to account for. Unless it is that pasture has been rather rank owing to the excessive rainfall. Sheep do much better upon short sweet pasture. Exhibitors were loud in their complaints of the overcrowded accommodation and muddled-up mixture of breeds.

Licesters were out in larger numbers and of better quality than for several years some say, the best exhibit of the breed that ever met in Toronto. Several new exhibitors crossed swords with the old standbys, and they made it interesting for them. The old exhibitors were A. & W. Whitelaw, Guelph; Hastings Bros., Crosshill; John Kelly, Shakespeare, while the new comers were Jas. Snell, Clinton; O. Turnbull, Walton; F. Kelly, Aylmer; J. J. Woolcott, Kenilcott, and W. J. Pell, Palermo.

Lincolns were of special quality but not very numerous. They were all in the hands of the veteran breeder and importer, J. T. Gibson, Denfield, who was prepared to meet the best. John Gardhouse, Highfield, judged them.

Southdowns were over 100 strong and put up a strong exhibit but not the sensational one that has been seen at some former shows. Sir Geo. Drummond had a really high-class lot and won all the top prizes on Shropshire ewes, which prize was won by Wm. Simenton, Blackheath. This ewe also won the silver medal. Drummond's Shearling ram won the male championship. Col. H. McEwen, Byron, won several 2nds and 3rds upon sheep of good quality. His exhibits were not judged sufficiently to cope with the Drummond flock. The other exhibitors were J. Ayre & Son, Bowmanville; W. J. Walker, Binbrook, and Geo. Baker, Sheen. H. J. Compton, Kyle, Ohio, did the judging very satisfactorily.

Shropshires were up to their usual high standard, both in numbers and quality. They were shown by Oak Park Farm, Bramford; J. and D. J. Campbell, Woodville; Hamner & Hodgson, Bramford; J. Lloyd-Jones, Burford; W. E. Wright, Glanworth; W. D. Monkman, Bondhead; A. and A. Shields, Castorville, and Thos. Graham, Omagh. The exhibitors had several newly imported animals, many of which had to remain outside of the ribbons, being beaten in several sections by Canada's home-bred ones. These latter were very typical of the breed and were brought out in the form. Hamner & Hodgson were the most successful in the open class, winning both championships. J. Lively Jones also stood well up on point of prizes won. Shields and Wright both got within the money on home bred stock. The judge, W. H. Beattie, Wilton Grove, stood by his branding typical kind.

Licesters were shown in about the usual numbers in the hands of three exhibitors, viz.: H. Arkell & Son, Arkell; J. W. Lee & Son, Simcoe, and A. Simenton, Blackheath. Apart from the imported stock of Arkell's, the exhibit was scarcely up to former years. Each of the exhibitors won a fair share of the prizes, with Arkell decidedly in the lead. Prof. G. E. Day awarded the prizes.

Dorsets were judged by John Jackson, Abingdon, who proclaimed them a strong exhibit. Most to be seen being on exhibition in the hands of Jas Robertson & Son, Milton, (who had a number fresh from the Royal show in England), B. H. Harding, Thorndale;

H. Bartlett, Kimbo, and A. S. Forster, Oakville. The principal honors were about evenly divided between the two firms named. Robertson & Son winning 4 1sts, 1 champion. Harding's flock winning 6 1sts and 1 champion, both flocks won several 2nds and 3rds. Bartlett's flock secured 2nd and 3rd prizes. Forster got into 4th place on ram lamb. The Hampshire and Suffolk class was fairly strong but not so sensational a show as last year's. Chas. Maw, Omagh won the lion's share in the open class upon a fresh lot imported by Cooper & Nephews. Geo. Allan, Paris won three 1sts in the open class upon his last year's importation. John Kelly, Shakespeare, and F. C. Miggs, Flamboro, were also prominent winners on home bred stuff, some of which won in the open class. Prof. Arkell, St. Anne de Bellevue, acted as judge.

CITY MILK SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

Toronto Milk Prices Set

At the annual meeting of the Toronto Milk Producers' Association held in Toronto, September 7, the prices of milk for the coming year were set as follows: For seven months, October 1 to May 1; \$1.35 for five months, May 1 to October 1. Price for cream, 40 cents a lb. butter fat, for seven months, October 1 to May 1; 35 cents a lb. butter fat for five months, May 1 to October 1. All producers of milk or cream are being urgently requested not to make any contracts not in accordance with the foregoing prices and terms. The attendance was large, the discussions were spirited and the decisions were unanimous.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers were elected: Pres., J. G. Cornell, Scarborough; vice-pres., W. C. Grube, Thistletown; secretaries, A. J. Reynolds, Scarborough; J. directors, W. Watson, F. E. Shaver, Islington, John Newhouse, Snellgrove. Mr. Newhouse will represent the Cream Shippers' Association. The constitution of the association was amended so that in future the cream shippers will have representation on the board of the association.

The milk dealers in Toronto were anxious that the prices of milk during the coming year should be lower than those that prevailed last year. It was decided not to lower them.

Montreal Milk Shippers Association

The ninth annual meeting of the above association was held in the Odd-fellows' Hall, 251 St. James Street, Montreal, on Monday, September 7th. Representatives were present from nearly all points in the province. All were enthusiastic at the success attained by the association.

President Malcom Smith, Lachine, in his opening remarks referred to the difficulty farmers experienced in maintaining the milk flow this season owing to the short pasturage caused thereby. He stated further, that farmers were not feeling as much concentrated feeds owing to the exceedingly high prices of these feeds, and that this had increased the cost of milk production almost beyond a profit.

Secretary W. F. Stephen of Huntingdon, reported a number of new members, making the membership the largest on record. He also reported that the committee had held several conferences during the year with the committee regarding the proposed regulations about to be adopted by the City of Montreal to govern its milk and cream supply. This committee has secured modification of



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these regulations so that they are within the range of possibility in production. The Treasurer, H. S. Tannahill, of Trout River, reported a balance on hand of \$91.37. The secretary was instructed to have the revised constitution and by-laws printed in both English and French and to forward a copy to each member.

"Reports from the field," showed a short hay crop, a light grain crop, but a fairly good corn crop in most sections. This, together with the prospect of higher prices of milk feed and bran led to a discussion on increasing prices of milk for the winter. Many contended that last winter's prices would not give the milk producer a profit this coming winter. After considerable discussion it was resolved to abide by last winter's prices as follows: Milk 22 cents a gallon delivered in the city, cans returned washed. Cream testing 22 per cent. fat \$1.10; 26 per cent. fat \$1.30; and 30 per cent. fat \$1.50, also delivered in the city.

The president, secretary and treasurer were appointed a committee to deal with all grievances and matters pertaining to railway transportation.

Mr. A. E. Spencer, representative of the "Wyandotte" cleanser was present and gave an interesting talk on the effect of different cleansers on tinware and milk, and demonstrated the value and properties of "Wyandotte" as a perfect cleanser for dairy utensils and milk cans.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year:— President, Malcom Smith, Lachine; vice-president, Thomas McIntosh, Lanester; Secretary, W. F. Stephen, Huntingdon; Treasurer, H. S. Tannahill, Trout River. Directors—A. Watt, Lanester; J. C. Hall, Cornwall; John McPhee, McAlpine; E. C. Boyce, Athelstan; Dr. Lyster, Richmond; B. J. Roy, Hwylack; Peter Cruise, Lachine; J. J. Riley, Graham;

Adam Robertson, Comox; E. Stringer, Henningford; Wilfred Guay, St. Valentine; and E. H. Morgan, Stanbridge Station.

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