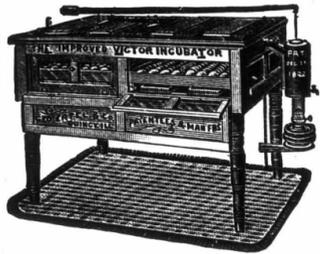


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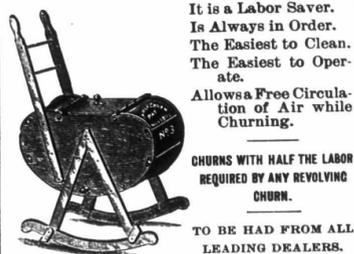
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Annual Meeting of the Dominion Swine Breeders' Association at Guelph, Ontario.

On Wednesday morning, December 12th, the annual meeting of the Dominion Swine Breeders' Association convened in the City Hall, Guelph.

Mr. Daniel DeCoursey, the President, thanked the swine breeders for the honor they had done him, and made reference to the educational work being done by the Association.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The following gentlemen were elected officers of the Association for the ensuing year:— President, D. DeCoursey, Bornholm; Vice-President, J. E. Brothour, Burford; Secretary-Treasurer, F. W. Hodson, Guelph.

DIRECTORS FOR THE DIFFERENT BREEDS: Yorkshire, G. B. Hood, Guelph; Berkshire, S. Coxworth, Claremont; Suffolk, R. Dorsey, Burnhamthorpe; Chester White, R. H. Harding, Thorndale; Poland China, W. Jones, Mt. Elgin; Essex, Jos. Featherstone, M. P. Streetsville; Tamworth, Jas. Bell, General Director, J. C. Snell, Edmonton.

DELEGATES TO FAIR BOARDS: Toronto Industrial Exhibition, Thomas Teasdale, Concord, and J. E. Brothour, Burford; Ottawa, Jos. Featherstone, M. P. Streetsville; Kingston, R. G. Martin, Marysville, and G. M. Hurley, Belleville; Quebec Provincial, G. Beaudet, Valleyfield, P. Q., and W. Tait, St. Laurent, P. Q., and J. Y. Ormsby, V. S., Danville, Que.; Peterborough, R. Vance, Ida; Guelph, G. B. Hood and Jas. Anderson; London, Geo. Green, Fairview, and R. H. Harding, Thorndale.

AUDITORS: John I. Hobson, Mosboro, and R. Snell, Edmonton. The following list of judges was recommended:— Berkshires—J. C. Snell, Edmonton; S. Coxworth, Claremont; J. G. Snell, Edmonton; J. Teasdale, Concord; C. M. Simmons, Ivan; J. Main, Milton; Jos. Featherstone, Springfield-on-Credit; R. Vance, Ida; R. P. Snell; R. Dorsey, Burnhamthorpe; Malcolm McArthur, Lobo.

Chester Whites—J. C. Snell, Edmonton; D. DeCoursey, Bornholm; J. E. Brothour, Burford; Wm. Jones, Mt. Elgin; Geo. Green, Fairview; R. Henderson, Listowel; R. Dorsey, Burnhamthorpe; Joseph Cairns, Camlachie; R. H. Harding, Thorndale; A. Elliot, Galt.

The list of experts for the remaining five breeds have not yet been furnished us. The Secretary was authorized to pay the expenses of the auditors to Guelph. Matters of interest to the Manitoba and Northwest sheep and swine interests were introduced by Mr. G. H. Greig, of Winnipeg, and Mr. W. Kitson, of Burnside, Man. With regard to representation to the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition, it was decided to refer the matter to the Provisional Directors of the Manitoba Sheep and Swine Breeders' Association, now being organized, as to whether or not they desire this Association to appoint a delegate, and if they reply in the affirmative, our Executive will appoint delegates. The Secretary was authorized to give the Manitoba organization all the assistance in his power.

EVENING SESSION. Prof. Wm. Saunders, Ottawa, read a lengthy and carefully prepared paper, giving the results of the swine feeding experiments carried on during the last year or so at the Dominion Central Experimental Farm, which go to confirm the lessons of practical experience on such points as the advantage of having hogs ready for market at an early age, the non-profitableness of cooking feed, etc. A great deal of statistical data on the cost of pork production was also submitted.

Hon. John Dryden followed with an able and practical paper on "The Principles to be observed in Establishing a Herd or Flock," published in the Jan. 1st issue of the FARMER'S ADVOCATE. Mr. J. C. Snell gave an admirable criticism (also appearing in the ADVOCATE) of the papers on swine breeding, care and feeding, which appeared in the last annual report. By address were delivered by Mayor Smith and Mr. Andrew Pattullo, President of the Western Ontario Dairymen's Association.

Mungo McNabb, Cowal, writes us as follows:—"My sales of Leicester's from advertising in the ADVOCATE have been most satisfactory. I have sold since June, 1894, nineteen sheep for breeding purposes. Of these one went to Manitoba, four to New Brunswick, and five to Quebec, all of which were sold through advertising with you. Prices have not been very high, but were such that a breeder can live. We were very successful in the show ring, winning many premiums and diplomas at Southern County, West Elgin and other fairs. The Shorthorn bull, Starlight, I bought from W. Redmond, of Millbrook, a year ago September, has done splendidly. He is leaving grand calves,—the best I ever had."

J. H. Smith & Sons, Willow Grove Stock Farm, Highfield, write:—"Entering upon the new year, our herd of Jersey cattle are doing well without exception, and our sales have been numerous. We sold on Nov. 12th, 1894, to Robert McCullough, Edmonton, Rosa May's son, dropped August 26th, 1894. He is solid color, with full dark shading; elegant head; extremely well marked round rump, with large rudimentary very squarely placed. This young bull is not only very handsome, but bred for great butter qualities, being sired by our stock bull, Hugo Alpha of Oaklawn, who has established a reputation in the show ring for himself and progeny; dam Signal Rosa May, produced 22 lbs. 4 ozs. of butter in seven days, and who has swept everything before her in the show ring. We also sold one each to Mr. John Willis, Brampton; J. N. Blinn, Woodbank; D. Blea, Toronto; David Hall, Toronto; John Britt, Toronto; T. Eaton & Co., Toronto; Thos. H. Himes, Toronto, and Geo. J. R. Dixon, Richmond. We have now only one young bull left, dropped July 21st, 1894. He is a large, handsome, solid, over-fawn, with full dark shading. We also have several daughters to calves shortly, which are very handsome and have grand mothers."