

meeting Prof. John A. Craig, of Ames, Iowa, will deliver an illustrated address entitled "An Ideal Mutton Sheep." Addresses will also be delivered by the judges of the carcasses in the sheep department.

Judging in all classes will commence at 10.30 a.m. on the 13th, and it is hoped will be completed by noon of the 14th. Heretofore the owners of steers, bar.ows, and wethers have been required to record them in Canadian, English, or American Records. This no longer is required, but the dam and sire of such animals must be recorded, and the owner must furnish a written statement showing the breed of the animal, and the name of the sire and dam, giving the record numbers of each. The entry fee in the cattle department is \$2; the sheep and swine 75c. per entry.

The rules governing this exhibition will be strictly enforced, clauses 63 and 64 read:

No animal deemed unworthy by the judges shall be awarded a premium; but no premium shall be withheld merely because there is no competition.

All animals, except those exhibiting in the dairy classes, shall be judged from a consumer's standpoint. The awards shall be given to the animal most valuable from a consumer's point of view.

The following special arrangements have been made for exhibitors coming a distance of over one hundred miles:

SPECIAL TO EXHIBITORS COMING A DISTANCE OF OVER ONE HUNDRED MILES.

Any exhibitor requiring to bring his stock over one hundred miles from any point in Ontario will be entitled to a rebate equal to the freight charges on his shipment for the distance it was carried over one hundred miles. In order to avail himself of this privilege, an exhibitor must write the secretary at least three weeks before the show is held, giving full particulars as to the point of shipment, the distance from the show, and the carrying line. The exhibitor must also at the time of the show furnish a receipt showing the amount paid, the point of shipment, and the number and kind of animals included in the car. No rebate will be allowed unless the above conditions are complied with.

A NEW FEATURE.

Ten per cent. may be added to the prizes won by any exhibitor in any class if he furnishes the secretary, within fourteen days after the close of the exhibition, with a detailed statement setting forth how his animal or animals were bred, and how and what fed, and how cared for from the time of birth to the date of the show. If possible, the cost of the feed consumed should be given, if not exactly, approximately. An exhibitor of cattle who furnishes acceptable data concerning his cattle,

shall have the prizes won by him in the cattle department increased by ten per cent., but if he wins prizes in the sheep department he must furnish similar data concerning his sheep before the prizes won by him in the sheep department shall be similarly increased. An exhibitor of swine or of poultry will be dealt with in like manner. The exhibitor furnishing the most valuable information in the cattle department shall receive an additional prize of five dollars. A similar prize of five dollars will be given in each of the other departments, viz., sheep, swine, and poultry. If the statement furnished by an exhibitor is considered unworthy of publication by the judges on account of it not being practically valuable to the public, the writer shall not be allowed the additional ten per cent., nor be allowed to compete for the five dollars offered for the best statement in each department.

N.B.—Ten per cent. will be added to the prizes offered by the Dominion Cattle, Sheep and Swine Breeders' Association only.

No entry will be required to be made for the above.

BLOCK TESTS.

The block tests in the sheep and swine departments and the dressed poultry exhibition will be a marked feature of this show. An expert from Prof. Robertson's department will be present and have on exhibition a coop of birds being fattened by the most approved methods, also a cramming machine. This gentleman will deliver several addresses, at the time and place to be designated in the forthcoming programme, which we expect to publish in our next issue. The birds in his charge will be fed each day at 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., on the 12th, 13th and 14th; and at 9 a.m. on the 15th they will be slaughtered and packed. Prof. Robertson will also have on exhibition a case each of chickens, ducks, turkeys and geese, dressed and packed as they should be for shipment.

All exhibits sent to this exhibition will be carried by the various Canadian railroads at half rates. Half fare passenger rates have also been arranged for. This exhibition promises to be the most interesting and largest fat stock show ever held in America, as well as one of the largest and most interesting institute meetings heretofore held in Canada.

A special feature not heretofore mentioned, but interesting to dairy-men, will be a cream separator daily run by a gasoline engine.

Guernseys at Mount Vernon.

Guernsey breeders will be glad to know that the milk hereafter sold at Mt. Vernon, the historic home of the first President, George Washington, will be furnished from a herd of Guernseys. The managers of the

estate have recently purchased a number of Guernseys to replace the cows formerly used. Visitors to this beautiful place will now find Guernseys occupying the stable and fields which were once the delight of Washington. What can be more pleasing than the fawn and white markings so characteristic of our favorites, amid the beautiful green of that well preserved plantation, and what more enticing than a glass of milk of that rich golden color, which that from the Guernsey has to a greater extent than any other breed. May good fortune attend the Guernseys in this honored home.

Women's Institutes of South Ontario.

At Whitby on the 29th of June last a meeting of the ladies of South Ontario was convened by Mrs. J. L. Smith for the purpose of organizing a Women's Institute. There was a fair attendance, considerable interest was manifested and a partial organization was effected. A short time later another meeting was called, officers were elected and the Women's Institute of South Ontario was fairly launched.

On October 12th the first regular meeting of the Institute was held in the Council chamber at Whitby. The officers and nearly every person interested in this new venture were very anxious that everything should go off well and they spent much time and energy in preparation for the meeting. Their efforts were splendidly rewarded. The room was already well filled when Dr. Hare, President of the Ontario Ladies' College, arrived with a bevy of young ladies, and extra chairs had to be provided. The President, Mrs. S. L. Brown, after explaining the objects of the association, proceeded to carry out the programme which had been provided. Mrs. W. Ayres, organist of the Methodist Tabernacle, rendered most successfully two instrumental solos, and Mrs. T. J. Jackson's vocal solo was appreciated by all. The President then called upon Miss Meen, of Whitby, who read an excellent paper on "Winter Window Gardening." The subject was well treated, and many useful hints were gathered by the ladies present. In this country, where our winters are so long and where so much of our time is spent in the house, we are eager to learn how to keep plants and flowers and have them thrive well in our rooms. Miss Meen helped us by her paper, and we hope to hear from her again.

Miss Laura Rose, Instructor at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, was then called on for an address on "Bread Making." This lady has such a pleasing manner and was so thoroughly in earnest that her remarks were listened to with the closest attention. She discussed the kind of flour to select for family use, the making of yeast, the setting, kneading and baking