



MANITOBA SECTION

KILLARNEY WINTER SEED FAIR

A new method was adopted at Killarney in conducting their Winter Seed Grain Fair and Poultry Exhibition this year. The Grain Growers' Association having united with Southern Manitoba Agriculture and Arts Association in holding one of the best winter seed fairs ever held at Killarney.

Owing to the balmy weather and good roads, a large number of farmers turned out to enjoy the beautiful weather, as well as look over the fine display of seed placed on exhibition in the New Town Hall.

The display of wheat proves that this district is giving every attention to the improvement in quality of seed wheat as well as freedom from foul seeds and smut.

While we do not belong to the great oat producing districts to the north and west of us, yet we feel that the exhibit of oats would hold good in competition with anything in the province.

Owing to the unfavorable conditions of the past season for the barley crop a large display was not looked for, but some half dozen very fine samples were on exhibition.

Flax was of a very fine sample, large and free from foul seeds.

The interest taken in the poultry exhibit proves that this district is going in for a better class of poultry. The people are now asking for a class with a good heavy body, well covered with fluff and outer feathers, also as little comb and wattle as possible, in order to keep up the egg production in this cold climate.

It was intended to hold a stock exhibit and stock judging contest, but the committee were unable to secure judges for that purpose.

PRIZE SEED WINNERS

The judges for the Seed Fair were: J. B. Ring, of Crystal City and W. R. Clubb, of Morris. They went into the merits of each sample thoroughly and awarded a ticket only when completely satisfied.

Prizes were awarded as follows: Red Pyle Wheat—W. J. Brown, Levi R. Jones, J. G. McKelvie, James Chapman.

Spring wheat, any other variety—E. Brown, Boissevain. Oats—W. R. Mitchell, Robt. Mitchell, Wm. Richards, Howard Brown.

Barley—Robt. Mitchell, Levi R. Jones, J. B. Leece, Jas. Chapman.

Flax Seed—Robt. Mitchell, W. R. Mitchell, W. J. Brown. Peas—Levi R. Jones Geo. Campbell.

PRIZE POULTRY WINNERS

Plymouth Rock, barred—M. Moody, 1st and 2nd; G. B. Monteith.

Wyandottes, silver-laced—S. M. Hayden, W. Ryan, Wm. Richards. Wyandottes, golden-laced—H. Burns. Wyandottes, white—G. Arscott, W. Richards. Brahmas—2nd Bernard J. Johnson.

Games—T. G. Hoar, Hamburgs—1st, 2nd and 3rd T. G. Hoar. Leghorns, brown—G. B. Monteith, W. J. Sanders. Minorcas—1st, 2nd and 3rd T. G. Hoar. Bronze Turkeys—Geo. Armstrong, Cartwright; F. Dagg, Geo. Campbell. Toulouse Geese—Geo. Campbell, W. E. Tweed.

Rouen Ducks—T. G. Hoar, W. E. Tweed. Best Pen American and Mediterranean breeds (Special by Edward Brown, Boissevain) G. Arscott.

Best dozen eggs—M. Moody, W. Richards. Best dressed fowl—L. R. Jones, J. W. Stow.

NO NEED FOR REFERENDUM VOTE

A meeting was held by Roseisle branch on February 4, at Roseisle, we had a very good attendance. Mr. Avison addressed the meeting and gave an explicit exposition of the memorandum of the executive of the Grain Growers' Association, which was listened to very attentively by the audience, after which the following resolution was submitted and carried:—

Moved by R. N. Lyons, seconded by

J. Burrows, "That as we, the Roseisle branch of the Grain Growers' Association believe the system of government elevators is of vital importance in giving justice to the farmers when selling their grain, we therefore endorse the action of our executive in meeting the government with a plan for its adoption, and as no one is required to contribute one cent other than those who use elevators we believe there is no need for submitting it to referendum.

Four more farmers joined to help push the association along.

ROBT. WALKER.

Sec.-Treas.

PRESIDENT McCUAIG AT MANUFACTURERS' BANQUET.

Responding to the toast of "The Producer," at an elaborate banquet of the Manufacturers' Association, held in the Royal Alexander Hotel, Winnipeg, February 3, D. W. McCuaig, President of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association, spoke at considerable length. He said what really started the grain growers of the West thinking was the fact that in North Dakota farmers received as a rule from five to fifteen cents a bushel more than did the farmers on the Canadian side for the same grade of grain. An article had also appeared in one of the English trade journals written by a miller in Great Britain commenting on the fact that Minneapolis millers paid 14 cents a bushel more for wheat than was paid by the Canadian millers. The endeavor of the association was to have the grain of the country passed down to

flourishing condition at the present time.

ORGANIZED TWO STRONG ASSOCIATIONS

On February 4 a branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association was organized at Assessippi. The meeting was a very full one and 23 paid their subscriptions and became members. W. Gillis is president, Fred Biggs is secretary-treasurer. The branch is named the Assessippi and Boulton and meetings are to be held alternately at Assessippi, Rochdale and Boulton on Feb. 25, at 7 p.m.

On February 5 the Miniska branch was organized in the Miniska school house all present joining with many promises to join from many unable to get to the meeting.

R. A. McLennan is president, E. E. Garnett, secretary-treasurer. Next meeting will be held in Miniska school at 7 p.m. on the 18th February, when a program of varied character will be presented, and the proceedings of a social nature.

J. H. FARTHING.

Organizer.

THE FIRST LADY SECRETARY

On the evening of February 3, Fred W. Kerr, of the executive, held an organization meeting at Huston School, southwest of Pipestone. J. G. Moffatt assisted Mr. Kerr, and both delivered addresses. They were successful in securing eighteen charter members, and several others who were present promised to join. A unique departure in the election of officers was the appointment of Miss McConnell as

NEW ASSOCIATION AT BERTON

An organization meeting was held at Berton, Man., last week, when J. S. Wood and Josiah Bennett addressed the farmers. As a result an association was formed with a membership of fourteen. A resolution was adopted, endorsing unanimously the memorandum presented

THE SPIRIT THAT MAKES FOR SUCCESS

At a meeting of the Franklin branch of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association held February 5, it was moved by T. Craig, seconded by E. H. Sharp, and carried unanimously, "That we contribute the sum of \$20—being part of proceeds of banquet—to the general funds of the provincial Grain Growers' Association."

to the Provincial Government. Officers were elected as follows: President, W. W. Lobb; Secretary, Chas. Dobson; Directors, Wm. Gardner, L. Bratugam, Mr. Clendenning, Thos. Perk, Wm. Wilson.

DOUBLED ITS MEMBERSHIP

Enthusiasm runs high at Cordova, Man. and the Lornedale branch there, has almost doubled its membership since 1909. They hope to further extend the membership this year. This association held a social January 28, which was such a success that the building in which it was held could not accommodate the people. President D. W. McCuaig, dealt with several vital questions affecting the Grain Growers, especially that of government elevators. He was tendered a hearty vote of thanks. At the regular meeting of the association held January 25, a resolution was adopted endorsing the memorandum to the provincial government.

MR. WHITE'S ADDRESS APPRECIATED

G. G. White, of Winnipeg, addressed



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the consumer with as little delay as possible.

Speaking of government-owned elevators, Mr. McCuaig said: "The proposition that the government of Manitoba has under consideration at the present time will benefit not only the people of this province, but all the people in the west."

The speaker remarked that it had always been claimed among the grain growers that if they could only make their organization strong and influential as the Manufacturers' Association, they would not be long in obtaining all that they desired.

President McCuaig told of the part played by the farmer in the building up of the Northwest and drew a vivid picture of the loneliness of the pioneer, of his frequent disappointment and loss through hail or frost, of his limited equipment, and of the bravery and fortitude of the women of those early days. Mr. McCuaig traced the origin and growth of the Grain Growers' Association and told of its

secretary of the Association. The district surrounding the school is a splendid producing one, and the farmers are especially favorable to our proposed elevator scheme. The following are the new officers: President, S. T. Huston; Vice-President, T. Bowman; Secretary, Miss McConnell; Treasurer, Gordon McLaren; Directors, Messrs. E. S. Patmore, J. B. Huston, Geo. Dodds, Thos. Corbett, H. S. Misener, W. T. Turnbull.

APPOINTED AN OFFICIAL REPORTER

A new association was recently formed at Nesbitt, Man., and they have asked that a speaker be sent to address them on the elevator question. This new branch is one of the first to appoint an official reporter. The names of the officers are as follows: President, James Hardwick; Vice-President, Robert Little; Secretary-Treasurer, William Scott; Reporter, T. W. Miller; Directors, William Tomkins, John Warton, James Eastly, Percy Fisher, Malcolm McKeller and Dougal McKeller,

an enthusiastic meeting of the Grain Growers at St. Claud, February 5, in which he explained in detail the memorandum presented to the Provincial Government. At the close of the address a resolution was moved by W. Grainger, seconded by W. Cameron, endorsing the memorandum to the Provincial Government. It was adopted unanimously.

G. J. TREMORIN,
Secretary-Treasurer.

MR. WRIGHT'S TRAIL OF SUCCESS

Mr. Peter Wright has been holding a series of successful meetings in southern Manitoba. On Saturday, February 5, a meeting was held at Roland, which endorsed public ownership of elevators. On the Thursday previous to this he held a largely attended meeting at Sperling, which also unanimously endorsed public ownership of elevators. Some of those present expressed themselves as being doubtful of the scheme, but after hearing the different provisions explained,