

Many other excellent papers were read, summaries of which will appear in later issues of the Farming World.

Before the convention closed a resolution was unanimously passed calling for permanent organization.

The next convention will be held at Vernon, B. C., at a date to be arranged by the organization committee.

#### OFFICERS ELECTED.

Hon. pres., Lieut.-Gov., F. W. Dunsmuir, British Columbia.

Pres., Hon. F. J. Fulton, Provincial Secretary, British Columbia.

1st vice-pres., J. S. Dennis, C.E. Calgary.

2nd vice-pres., W. C. Ricardo, British Columbia.

Sec.-Treas., W. K. Megaw, Calgary.

Organization committee—J. T. Hall, Medicine Hat; W. Pearce, Calgary; A. Stirling, British Columbia; C. W. Peterson, Calgary; W. Humphrey and J. Woodford, Southern Alberta.

not always to the taste of the westerners. The winner in this class was Baroness, champion as a 3-year-old at Toronto Spring Stallion Show in 1906. She has developed into a big draft mare of good quality. She is an Ontario bred mare, being sired by H. Hender's Lakeview Laddie.

The making of a class for veld mares was a happy addition to the show and brought out some of the finest Clydesdales in the country. With a true breeder's instinct, Mr. Gibson only allowed the typical and handsome but tightly put up and harnessy, Glasgow's champion, Rosadora to go to 3rd place, and put her drafter, roomier stable mate, Lady Rotha, herself a Highland and agricultural winner in 1st place.

In 3-year-old fillies the exhibits were of a superlative order. The winner, Eva's Gem, a get of the grand breeding stallion Baron's Gem is a mare of exceptional stamp and character. She is a big smooth but compact and massive 3-year-old, with sweet character and quality with grand underpinning iron-like feet and a fine mover. Baron's Lassie, shown by John A. Turner, of Calgary was a mare of very similar type and one-time champion of the Dominion Exhibition at New Westminster. The exhibits of Bryce, of Arcola, Mutch and Turner, which followed were close competitors and few if any better classes of 3-year Clydesdales have ever been lined up in Canada, and with Canadian breds in 1st and 2nd places, the credit was a double one.

In 2-year fillies the class was headed by a big useful filly good at the ground but showing a hock too defective to allow her title to the place. Second place was won by a beautiful and typical red roan filly, shown by R. H. Tabor, a beautiful animal of great promise, showing all the quality and big sound feet which the gets of Baron's Gem are noted for. She is a grand mover as well. Third in place was another red roan very similar in character, size and appearance, shown by J. Burnett, of Napinka and sired by Marcellus. The class also had two others from the Bryce stables more slender, taller and more the Scotchman's type of youngster. The 2-year class was remarkable for the good action displayed by all the exhibits. The yearling class was of superior kind and brought out some further evidence of the kind of a sire Saskatchewan boasts in Baron's Gem.

## THE WINNIPEG FAIR

The Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition of 1907 has proved at least equal to the events of former years. In some respects considerable advancement was noticeable. Citizens' day gave a record breaking attendance, and the show can fairly be said to class among Canada's exhibitions as second to Toronto only. The citizens of Winnipeg, however, are very strongly of the opinion that this is merely temporary arrangement, and that soon their exhibition as well as their city will rank first in the Dominion. The irrepressible optimism of the west was evident in every department. The exhibits in art, in machinery, manufactures and process were instructive and interesting. The horticultural and floricultural displays were very creditable in kind if not in quantity. The grand stand features were the centre of attraction. An interesting spectacle was a relay race in which three western girls each changed ponies three times before the finish.

There was a large and attractive display of grains, roots, etc., and the visitor could compare wheat, oats and barley, from, the Portage plains, and the south with samples from high latitudes and the provinces farther west, and gather some idea of the bountiful nature of the prairie harvest.

In the dairy department improvement over former years was commented on by the judge, Prof. Dean, of Guelph. The most uniformly strong exhibit was that of dairy butter prints, the highest score being placed 98 points. The cheese exhibits were as a whole, creditable.

In poultry the exhibits were extensive with many strong classes. Barred Rocks, Buff Cochins and Games were very strong, but turkeys, geese and

ducks, though good in quality were not numerous.

#### HORSES.

The wheat farmer of Manitoba and the rancher of Alberta and Saskatchewan evidently have a good horse. Around the horse ring were crowds of spectators who watched with interest the awarding of the prizes. In light horses the exhibits were not very numerous nor of a superlative order in point of character. A few promising colts from breezy-looking dams and sired by Hackney stallions were to be seen. The exhibits made by Geo. Pepper, of Toronto aided this feature materially. The drafter is without doubt the popular horse in the West, although, Shires, Percherons and Suffolks had only a few representatives of somewhat inferior character at Winnipeg. But things were lively among the Clydesdales.

The Clyde is the horse of the West as it is of Eastern Canada, and to meet Western Clydesdale men at Winnipeg was a treat to anyone who loves a good horse for its own sake. Mercenary interests are relegated to the background while king Clydesdale holds carnival, and his votaries indulge in a few days grooming and showing, discussion, praising and criticizing their favorites, and seeming fairly to revel amid Clydesdales love and Clydesdale horses. One immediately realizes that there are Clydesdale breeders, rather than dealers.

The female classes were particularly strong. Aged brood mares made a class of big drafty good ones, all showing splendid character. The judge was Mr. Arthur Gibson, of Ruddington Nottingham, England, and as a shire fancier and breeder might be expected to do, he displayed a partiality for size and a depreciation of quality

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