

animals, which proved a strong attraction to the juvenile onlookers. No pains had been spared by the drivers in all classes to make the animals in their charge look as smart as possible. In every class, gold, silver and bronze medals and four handsome rosettes were awarded, and so great was the number of entries that two classes had to be divided, sets of medals being given to each.

There was a regular army of judges and the ribbons were placed in short order, there being one judge for each class. The judging was timed to begin at 9 a.m. and by 10 a.m. the parade had started on its tour of the main thoroughfares of the city, so quickly were the ribbons placed and the decisions given. With a few exceptions the entries came from the people of Toronto, who, since its inception, have evinced a keen interest in the show.

Among those who officiated as judges were Robert and Wm. Graham, Claremont; J. M. Gardhouse, Weston; W. A. Lawrence, Milton; Alex. Doherty, Ellesmere; John Gardhouse, Highfield; J. J. Quinn, Brantford; W. J. Stark, W. Staley Spark, A. W. Smith and Henry Wade.

#### Edmonton's Annual Fair

The annual exhibition of the Edmonton and District Agricultural Association was held on June 20th and 30th and July 1st. Twenty-five thousand people entered the gates during the three days, the receipts were larger than ever before and the character of the industrial and live stock showed a decided or flattering advance over previous years. Owing to the early date some classes of grains and farm products were not out in the abundance that they would be in a fall exhibition, but samples were generally of high excellence. Grasses in great profusion and variety were a prominent feature. Several sheafs of fall wheat, which is now succeeding well in the country, were exhibited. The grain was already well headed out and was over four feet in length. It was the Turkey Red variety.

Dairy products were an excellent display as were also the several departments of finer work by the ladies. The rapid increase in the interior display will necessitate the erection of a larger building for future fairs.

In live stock the cattle classes were best filled and of these the useful Shorthorn were but a small number and excellence. Herds from other parts of the Territories competed, but the honors were shared with local farmers. The herd prize went to J. Wilson with P. Talbot & Sons and A. F. McGill following close. J. Wilson had the honor of capturing the sweepstakes bull prize with a twenty-one months old Lincolnshire red of fine stamina and conformation. The sweepstakes for female of all breeds was carried off by a local breeder, J. Tough, with a two-year-old Hereford of fine quality. Herefords were a fine exhibit but comparatively light. Jerseys were well represented and a few Galloways were shown.

The general purpose classes in horses were well filled and indicate that the farmers of the district are raising a good class of farm and light draught animals. Registered draughts were limited to the entire classes. In the aged stallion class seven animals were out, premier honors going to M. Morrison, of Wetaskiwin. Roadsters were a fair class, carriage horses were scarce, but the saddle horses were quite strong. Dr. Ferris exhibited a fine type of cavalry horse that was highly esteemed by

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the judge, Dr. Standish. Hackneys were not shown. The gentlemen of the local polo club had out a fine class of ponies of creditable conformation and performance.

In the swine classes, Tamworths, Yorkshires and Berkshires were exhibited and competition was quite keen. A nice exhibit of both purebred and grade bacon hogs attracted some attention.

Sheep were not a large exhibit and were not very creditable with the exception of a few pure-bred Shrop. bucks of good quality.

The awards in cattle, sheep and swine were made by W. W. Fraser, of Emerson, Man. J. Mc.

#### To Judge at Fall Fairs

Supt. Cowan has issued a partial list of the fairs at which expert judges will make the awards. The dates and lists of judges are as follows:

#### CIRCUIT NO. 3

Horses, Geo. Gray, Newcastle; beef cattle and sheep, Geo. Newell; Guelph; dairy cattle and swine, John G. Clark, Ottawa, Sept. 26 to Oct. 12; dairy cattle and swine, M. Stonehouse, Sept. 20-22.

Stirling, Sept. 20; Frankford, Sept. 22; Cobourg, Sept. 26; Picton, Sept. 27; Marmora, Sept. 28; Campbellford, Sept. 29; Colborne, Oct. 3; Bancroft, Oct. 4; Warkworth, Oct. 6; Horwood, Oct. 11; Fenelon Falls, Oct. 12, two judges.

Horses, G. H. Williams, Napanee; heavy horses, beef cattle and sheep, W. J. Gardhouse, Highfield; dairy cattle and swine, R. H. Williams, Guelph.

Shelburne, Sept. 27; Orangeville, Sept. 29; Cookstown, Oct. 4; Fergus, Oct. 6; Beeton, Oct. 11; Dundalk, Oct. 13.

#### CIRCUIT NO. 8

Horses, R. D. Dundas, Springville; beef cattle and swine, G. B. Hood, Guelph; dairy cattle and sheep, John Jackson, Abingdon.

Durham, Sept. 21; Neustadt, Sept. 22, two judges; Teeswater, Sept. 23; Mildmay, Sept. 26; Palmerston, Sept. 27; Warton, Sept. 28; Meaford, Sept. 29; Tara, Oct. 4; Arthur, Oct. 5;