

"It having passed the United States Congress that the words "beyond the seas," refer to stock imported from Canada, the following instructions were issued from the Treasury Department; To admit to free duty animals from beyond the seas, when imported for breeding purposes, the owners thereof will be required to produce to the Collector of Customs at the port of importation a certificate from the United States Commissioner at the port of shipment, showing that the animals are, to the best of his knowledge and belief, intended for such purposes; and a statement of the owner, made upon oath, that the said animals were actually purchased abroad, and imported into the States for the *bona fide* purposes of breeding and improving stock."

THE 1871 PRIZE LIST.

The Secretary then read the report of the Prize List Committee. The report showed that a considerable increase had been made in the amounts of the various prizes awarded to the exhibitors of horses, cattle, sheep, and grain. The proposed increase is as follows:—Road and Carriage horses, \$131; agricultural horses, \$132; heavy draft horses, \$83; Durham cattle, \$194; Devon cattle, \$126; Hereford, \$126; Ayrshires, \$126; Galloways, \$62; grade cattle, \$51; fat and working cattle, \$60; for sheep—in Cotswolds, \$60; Leicesters, \$6; large pigs, \$20; Suffolks, \$20; Berkshires \$40; Essex, \$20; any other breeds, \$20; poultry, \$54; implements, \$210; small do, \$53; field grains, \$50; field roots, \$3; horticultural articles, \$200; dairy products, \$18.

The Board recommended the trial of implements early in the ensuing summer.

On the motion for the adoption of the report.

Prof. Buckland suggested the propriety of placing racers upon the same standing in the prize list as other classes of horses.

The Hon. Mr. Christie argued that it was most injudicious to encourage the raising of fast horses in Canada, inasmuch as it fostered a gambling spirit among the young men of the present generation. He deprecated the system now pursued in the States, of having the trotting track at the exhibition held, and hoped that the Council would do all in their power to prevent such a custom creeping into Canada. He suggested that the English system of giving really good prizes for the best horses for general purposes, be adopted.

The report was then adopted *nem con.*

THE KINGSTON BUILDING.

The Secretary reported to the meeting that in reply to a communication with regard to the preparation for the exhibition at Kingston, the Mayor of that city had stated that nothing had been done except the appointment of a committee.

THE TRIAL OF IMPLEMENTS COMMITTEE.

The following gentlemen were appointed upon the committee to make arrangements for a competitive trial of agricultural implements during the ensuing summer:—The Hon. James Sheaf, Hon. D. Christie Messrs. Graham, Chas. Rykert M. P., Stephen White, McDonald, Myrton and Wilson.

THE PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

A deputation was appointed to confer with the authorities in Kingston respecting the requisite accommodation for holding the next exhibition. *

PRINTING CONTRACTS.

The tender the *Globe* for the printing of the association for the ensuing year was accepted. The council then adjourned until 8 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

The Council resumed its sittings at 8 p. m.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee presented their report, which was as follows:—

Entries to be made on or before the twentieth of June, to the Secretary of the Association at Toronto, enclosing a dollar for entry money.

The committee recommended that the Secretary be instructed to advertise at once for offers of funds suitable for the trial of implements of the following sizes, viz:—

Full wheat, 20 acres; grass, 20 acres; for ploughing, (sod) 15 acres; peas, 15 acres; logs for 10 cords of wood, and land suitable for testing cultivators and gang ploughs.

The following prices were recommended to be given at the trial of the implements:—

Mowers—1st prize, \$20; 2nd do, \$15; 3rd do, \$12; Reapers—1st prize, \$30; 2nd do, \$20; 3rd do, \$15; Thrashing Machines—1st prize, \$50; 2nd do, \$40; 3rd do, \$30

Pea Harvesters—1st prize, \$12; 2nd do, \$9; 3rd do, \$6.

Fanning Mills—1st prize \$8; 2nd do \$6; 3rd do, \$4.

Straw Cutters—1st prize, \$8; 2nd do, \$6; 3rd do, \$4.

Sulky Horse Rake—1st prize, \$12; 2nd do, \$9; 3rd do, \$6.

Ploughs 1st prize, \$25; 2nd do, \$20; 3rd do \$15.

Harrow—1st prize, \$12; 2nd do, \$9; 3rd do, \$6.

Cultivators (double)—1st prize, \$20; 2nd do, \$15; 3rd do, \$10.

Grain Crushers—1st prize, \$12; 2nd do, \$9; 3rd do, \$6.

Machines for Sawing Wood—1st prize, \$20; 2nd do, \$16; 3rd do, \$10.

Gang Ploughs—1st prize, \$20; 2nd do, \$15; 3rd do, \$10.

The report was adopted.

Several accounts were presented and recommended to be paid.

Several matters of detail were discussed and the meeting adjourned until the 21st of June, at two o'clock in the afternoon. *Globe.*

THE COLORADO POTATO BEETLE.

To the Farmers, Gardeners, and Inhabitants of the Counties of Lambton Kent and Essex:

Beware! Beware of the Colorado Potato Beetle! Last year the advanced guard of this great western army of destroyers reached your shores, and this year you may expect to have your fields devastated by countless hosts, if you do not ward off the foe. If you make a determined and united effort, you can undoubtedly save your crops of potatoes and prevent the spread of the pest.

As our readers are probably well aware, this destructive insect has been gradually advancing eastward from the Rocky Mountains, at the rate of fifty or sixty miles a year, and, as we predicted some months before, it reached the shores of Ontario last season. Our country happily is protected by a