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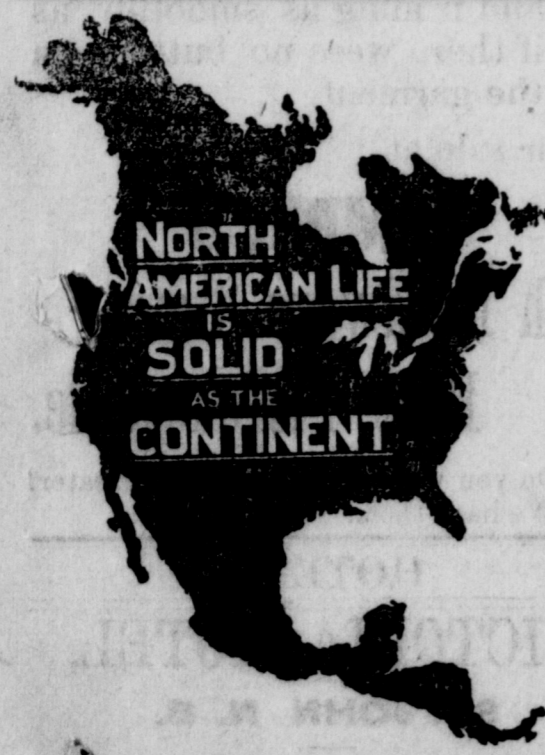
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FARMERS' AND DAIRYMEN'S

Association of New Brunswick in Session at Woodstock.

The opening session of the Farmers and Dairymen's Association of New Brunswick met in the opera house on Monday night. There were a number of ladies in the audience, which was fairly large. Joseph R. Taylor, president, occupied the chair. An address of welcome was delivered by Mayor Belyea, after which the Hon. L. P. Farris, Commissioner of Agriculture, was introduced. Mr Farris recounted the advance that had been made in agriculture in this province during the past few years and suggested some lines along which further advance might be made.

The musical part of the programme consisted of solos by Mrs Holyoke, Mrs Brewer and A. B. Burden.

F. W. Hodson, Dominion Fine Stock Commissioner addressed the meeting on the "Improvement of Agricultural Associations." He spoke as follows:

In several of the Canadian provinces agricultural societies, with the exception of a few, have been doing no work outside of the holding of an annual show. These societies and farmers' clubs in Canada are receiving from various sources nearly \$1,000,000 a year. Let us consider for a moment what, in the mind of the founders, was the object of these societies, as set forth by some of the Provinces:—

1. Importing and otherwise procuring seeds, plants and animals of new and valuable kinds.

2. Offering prizes for essays on questions of scientific inquiry relating to agriculture, horticulture, manufactures and the useful arts.

3. Awarding premiums for excellence in the raising or introduction of stock, for the invention or improvement of agricultural or horticultural implements and machinery, for the production of grain and of all kinds of vegetables, plants, flowers, and fruits and generally for excellence in any agricultural or horticultural production or operation, article of manufacture or work of art.

4. Carrying on experiments in the growing of crops, the feeding of stock or other branch of agriculture, or by testing any system of farming through arrangements with one or more of the farmers of the municipality in which the Society is organized.

Clause 1. has received little or no attention in Ontario and westward, but Societies in the Eastern Provinces have purchased male animals for use of their members. This is an excellent work and has given first rate results in Great Britain, especially in Ireland, but in order to procure desirable results the member of the Association should determine what breed of stock, whether horses, cattle, sheep or swine, is best suited to the district, and then males should be bought of that breed only, year after year. For instance, a society should not buy a Shorthorn bull one year, an Ayrshire bull the next year, a Jersey bull the next year, and so on, but if they determine that Shorthorns are best suited to their districts and the needs of their people they should commence by buying a Shorthorn bull and continue to buy Shorthorn bulls year after year, and no other. It is by following out this course that England has become famous as the home of the best herds in the world. If we were to go into the County of Shropshire we would know that we were in Shropshire because we would find nothing but Shropshire sheep there; if we were to go into Devon, we would know we were into that County because all the cattle we would see would be Devon cattle. This continuance in one line of breeding is the only method that can make a district successful in stock breeding. The Society or the farmer who mixes the various breeds of horses, cattle, sheep or swine, will never own a good herd, and will never produce animals of individual excellence, except by accident. The Institute speakers, who have been sent out from my Department have notified me that a number of the Societies of the Eastern Provinces have done more harm than good to their district by buying males, first of one breed and then of another. The result has been a mixture that is practically valueless to the people.

Clause 2 has been a clause that has been entirely overlooked in 99 cases out of 100, but is a very useful feature that should be brought into prominence, and doubtless will be in the near future. The amalgamation of the Farmers' Institute system and the Agricultural Societies promises good work in this particular.

Clause 3 represents the work of the average Fair Association, but great improvements can be made along these lines, of which I will speak more fully further on.

Clause 4. is a very important clause and has been introduced into Ontario during the last year.

Farm crops grown in plots at exhibition grounds, Whitby. Varieties selected, seed furnished, and instructions supplied by the Ontario Agricultural & Experimental Union: Clovers.—Lucerne, Mammoth Red, Common Red, Alsike.

Grasses.—Timothy, Orchard Grass, Awlless Brome Grass, Tall Fescue, Tall Oat.

Millet.—Japanese Panic, Japanese Barnyard, Hungarian.

Sorghums.—Kaffir Corn, Millo Maize, Early Amber Sugar Cane.

Corn.—Mastodon Dent, Wisconsin Earliest White Dent, North Star Yellow Dent, Compton's Early.

Fodder, Forage and Pasture Crops.—Hairy Vetches, Common Vetches, Grass Peas, Early Yellow Soy Beans, Medium Green Soy Beans, Whip-poor-will Cow Peas, Dwarf Essex Rape, Thousand Headed Kale.

EDUCATIONAL FEATURES.

THE HORSE.—I would have attractions but I would have them different from those that have been. I would have a horse ring, but one conducted on different lines from those of the past. Instead of racing I would have hurdle and water jumping by farmers' sons. And instead of jockeying I would teach riding and driving such as is seen at the Horse Show in Toronto and New York. We have splendid horses in this country, suitable for hunters and jumpers—animals such as bring big prices in the Old Country, but our boys do not know how to prepare them for market. We have horses suitable for hunters and also ponies that would, if broken, bring £80 to £100 in England, but they are not broken. It would be part of our Fair work to show our farm boys how to fit their horses in order that they, instead of the dealer may get the \$40, \$50, or \$60 that is put on the value of the animal by training and fitting.

In this connection I think that a gymkhana along the lines given below would prove a very good feature at our fairs, and at the same time would interest our boys in the saddle horse and give them a great deal of experience in riding. Before outlining the plan for the gymkhana, let me quote a few lines from a letter received from Mr. S. E. Fuller, the well-known horseman of Woodstock, Ont. He writes:—"I quite agree with you that riding on horseback should be encouraged in this country in every possible way, and that the gymkhana would much assist towards this object. It is a rare case when a dealer or others in want of a saddle horse or hunter can find one in the hands of a farmer that has been handled at all for saddle work. He may have been handled for the plow or the buggy, or both; but nine out of ten young horses on Canadian farms today have never had a saddle on. In fact it is a rare sight to see a saddle on the average farm in these Provinces. In the last twenty years I have bought many thousands of horses from farmers, hardly any of which were broken to saddle. If they had been it would have meant just so much more in the farmers' pockets. I know of what I speak, for in addition to these many thousands that I have bought, I have judged saddle horses, hunters and harness horses at many fairs in Canada as well as in New York, Detroit and Buffalo. Give the boys and girls a chance to see good horsemanship and they will soon pick it up."

PROPOSED GYMKHANA COMPETITION.

No. 1. .p.m.—Polo Pony Competition—Each competitor to ride two hundred yards to a given point; and from that point to drive a polo ball back to starting point. First man and ball over the line wins. (Ponies to be regulation polo size.)

No. 2. .p.m.—Obstacle Race.—Competitors to jump a bank or hurdle, ride through a paper screen, jump a hurdle, go between posts without knocking them down. Distance one-half mile. (Horses any size.)

No. 3. .p.m.—Potato Race.—Competitors to stand to the horse, four potatoes to be placed 30 yards apart. Mount, ride to first potato, dismount, pick up potato, remount, ride back to starting point with potato, dismount and put potato in pail; and so on with each potato. (Horses should be 14.2 over.)

No. 4. .p.m.—Bonnet and Skirt Race.—Competitors to jump a hurdle, dismount and pick up bonnet and skirt; fit them on; remount, jump another hurdle, go around a post and gallop in.

No. 5. .p.m.—Ginger Ale Race.—Stand to horse; open umbrella; mount; ride to turning point. . yards, dismount, shut umbrella and place under arm; mount and drink bottle of ginger ale; open umbrella mount and return, carrying umbrella. (Horses should be 14.2 and over.)

No. 6. .p.m.—Walking Race.—1 mile or distance to suit track, pacers barred. Conditions—For first break, horses shall be turned completely round once. For second break, horses shall be turned round twice. For third break horses shall be disqualified. (Horses any size.)

No. 7. .p.m.—Nomination Race.—Competitors must be nominated by a lady. They gallop a . mile to judges stand. Dismount and receive and put on sunbonnet handed by their respective nominators. Mount and gallop . of a mile. Dismount and put on a garment that will be hanging on a line. Remount and ride to judges stand, wearing sunbonnet and garments. (Usual distance galloped one-eighth or one-fourth of a mile regulated to length of track, etc.)

The following regular classes for saddle horses and army remounts should also be put on:

SADDLE HORSES.

Sec 1—Gelding or mare under saddle 15.2 hands or over.

Sec 2—Gelding or mare under saddle under 15.2

Sec 3—Gelding or mare under saddle, pony 14.1 or under.

Sec 4—Gelding boys saddle pony ridden by girl or boy under 16 years.

Sec 5—Hunter to go over jump—not less than 3½ feet.

ARMY REMOUNTS.

Sec 6—Artillery—Horses suitable for artillery purposes 15 to 16 hands high; weight 1,100 to 1,400 lbs; strong, active, blocky horse.

Sec 7—Cavalry—Horses suitable for cavalry; 15.1 to 15.3 hands, 1,000 to 1,200 lbs; to be ridden over jump of 3½ feet high.

Sec 8—Mounted Infantry—Horses suitable for mounted infantry; 14 to 15.1 hands; weight 900 lbs and upwards; strong, active horses to go over 3½ feet jumps.

Sec 9—Best walking team.

Sec 10—Best farm team, over 1250 lbs, each with

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A SUDDEN DEATH

Which Caused a Sensation in Maine Village.

Houlton Pioneer: The announcement of the death on Tuesday, 20th, of Mrs. E. Currie, at Blaine, was a great surprise. She was employed in the family of Rev. A. D. Moore of the Methodist church, and had been in her usual health and about her work during the morning and had made no complaint. She had retired to her room but a few moments before she was heard to scream. Mr. and Mrs. Moore found her in great distress. She said, "I am dying," and expired instantly. A physician was called at once, but could do nothing for the unfortunate woman. On Wednesday a post-mortem was held that lasted well through the night. What the cause of death was no one appears to know except the physicians, and as the result of their work has not been made public, there is a large amount of talk. Some claim that as a sudden death has taken place the public has a right to know the cause. The matter was still more agitated by the sensational sermon preached by Rev. A. D. Moore over the remains at the church on Thursday, when, it is claimed, vigorous lashings were given to some persons who were in attendance, a feature not usual in such cases, and believed by many to have been unnecessary and uncalled for. The unfortunate woman had many friends and relatives, who sincerely regret her sudden death. She was the daughter of William A. Noble, a well known citizen of this place, but reared and educated in the home of her grandfather, Rev. Jos. Noble, of Woodstock, N.B.

Death of John Darkis.

John Darkis of Florenceville died at his home on Saturday at the age of 68 years. Mr. Darkis was born at Florenceville. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Darkis who were among the early settlers in the village of Florenceville, came from Ireland. John Darkis learned the black smith's trade from his father and for many years conducted a smithy shop in the village of Florenceville. He was a kind hearted man, always willing to help up a fellow who was down, and he had a sense of humour that made his shop, for years, the head quarters of all the fun in the village. He was a consistent member of the Baptist church, and he had the respect and esteem of the community for his honourable dealing and his generosity. He leaves on son, Henry, who lives at Fort Fairfield, one brother, Samuel, of East Florenceville and two sisters, Mrs. Asa Bell of Foreston and Mrs. Weeks of California. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon.

Death of John Hopkins.

Mr. John Hopkins, one of the oldest residents of Bristol, died suddenly on Friday night last of apoplexy. He was 69 years of age, and leaves a family of two sons, and two daughters. One brother, Mr. George Hopkins, also survives him. The deceased had lived his whole life in this parish, and was well known. The funeral services on Sunday at the Primitive church were well attended. Rev. C. H. Orser preached the sermon, Rev'ds G. A. Giberson and H. Giberson were also present and assisted in the services.

Hedley F. Grosvenor, Warden.

Hedley F. Grosvenor, was elected Warden of the York county council at its January meeting. The Gleaner says:—

Mr. Hedley F. Grosvenor, who was to-day elected Warden of the Municipality of York, will make an excellent presiding officer, and in all other respects he will discharge the duties of the office with credit to himself and to the county. Warden Grosvenor is a thorough business man and well appreciates the responsibilities of the office to which he has just been elected.

Taken Ill.

Mr. Hugh Murray, son of Mr. Geo. H. Murray, 139 Waterloo street, and manager of the Winnipeg branch of Redding Brothers (Yarmouth) shoe business, is recovering from a severe attack of appendicitis at his father's home. Mr Murray with his wife and child, came east to spend the holiday season with the old folks, and were about to return when Mr Murray was stricken with illness in Yarmouth. He was laid up in the Nova Scotia town a week before being able to reach St. John. Fortunately Mr Murray has recovered from his illness without having to undergo a surgical operation.

Underwent Operation.

Mrs. John Atherton of Woodstock, was brought to the Victoria Hospital yesterday and was operated on by Dr. Atherton. The operation was successful and the patient is doing well.—Gleaner 23rd.

Hospital Fund.

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