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THE PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION IS NOW IN FULL SWING

Formally Opened by Lieutenant-Governor. Largest Number of Entries in History of Association. Splendid Showing by Merchants.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Exhibition of Prince Edward Island was formally opened by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor yesterday morning under what might be termed auspicius circumstances, in view of the fact that this was the fifirst occasion in the history of the Association which found the Province destitute of a single military unit which might be present, the last contingent of gallant soldiers raised in the Island having left the day before for active service in defence of the Empire. The President of the Exhibition, Mr. Frank R. Heartz, presided at the customary meeting in the main building, which was appropriately decorated with the British colours, and a number of able addresses were delivered by prominent citizens, who without exception expressed their admiration of the meritorious work of the Association, and the high standard of excellence which the exhibits showed. The farmers this year deserve the greatest commendation on the quality of their produce, which reflects the greatet credit not only on themselves but on the Province as a whole.

The speakers were the President, His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, (who was accompanied by Mrs. McDonald), Dr. Pearce, the American Consul, Hon. Murdoch McKinnon, Commissioner of Agriculture representing the Premier, His Worship Mayor Brown and Rev. Dr. P. C. Gauthier.

The pupils of Prince Street School, accompanied by Principal Seaman and the teachers, were in attendance, and under the direction of Professor Hinton at the Piano they gave a distinctly creditable programme of patriotic selections. The Fourth Regiment Band was present and rendered appreciable service.

The general attendance was not perhaps as large as might have been expected, but the weather was not quite favourable, a rather raw wind prevailing. Notwithstanding this, however, there was a fairly large, and an extremely interested crowd, the number of visitors from Charlottetown being, if anything, in excess of those of last year.

The exhibits in the main building were spectacularly interesting, and as a striking evidence of the wonderful productively of the Province they should receive the closest attention of every visitor. The Dominion Government and local Experimental Farm exhibits are highly educational features in the main building, a close study of which would prove beneficial.

The outdoor exhibits also have their attractions the cattle being quite up to the standard, if not indeed superior.

The "fakirs" are of course a neccessary evil of every Exhibition, and there is the usual quota of them in operation; but, as the President assured the visitors, the management had seen to it that what side-shows were allowed on the grounds on this occasion were of a character that would not offend the sensibilities of those who cared to expend their surplus cash in gratifying their curiosity by paying to see them.

The races are always the great drawing card, and the sport provided in this direction promises to be of usual interest.

The total number of exhibits this year exceeds 4,600 being approximately 1,000 more than the number shown last year.

At 12 o'clock the school children, headed by the Band, marched to the grounds, all bearing Union Jacks, and in the Building they took seats upstair son the north side.

The proceedings were opened with the Russian National Anthem by the children, after which Mr. Frank Heartz delivered the presidential address.

Mr. Heartz, at the outset, said that he wished to make a remark which perhaps was more of a personal nature than otherwise. "Last year, at the opening," he said, "I gave the hon. Mr. Mathieson certain credit for having secured the sum of $2,500 from the Dominion Live Stock Commissioners for the purposes of this Exhibition. An anonymous letter appeared in the Press stating that I was altogether wrong and that Mr. Mathieson had nothing to do with it; in fact, it was suggested that this money would have been obtained in any case. I replied to that communication showing exactly how it was that we had received that money and proving conclusively, beyond the shadow of a doubt, that the credit in the matter was due entirely to Premier Mathieson. But these anonymous correspondents collectively and jointly, wrote another letter, and as it was more or less a personal attack upon myself, I did not deem it worth my while to reply to it. I felt that the people of this country would not be greatly benefited by a prolonged discussion of a private nature in the Press. But I wish to say here to-day that so long as I am connected with the Association as President—and I don't think it will be any longer than this year; but whether short or long, so long as I have any connection with this Association, neither the Association nor myself will be affected in any way by the jealous emanations of a few second—or third rate politicians. **Whenever I make a statement here or anywhere else I always have proof to back it up, otherwise I don't make it!"**

Continuing, President Heartz said that the present was the 24th annual exhibition held on the grounds by the Association since its inception 26 years ago. For the first 8 years the Association allowed only Island Exhibitors to compete. At the expiration of that time, 18 years ago, it was considered advisable that thenceforth all exhibitions would be open to the Maritime Provinces and this arrangement had been carried out ever since. On two occasions previous to last year the Association received Dominion Government grants and were then obliged to have the Exhibition open to the whole of Canada. Last year, as he had already stated, owing to the assistance of hon. Mr. Mathieson, the sum of $2,500 was obtained from the Live Stock Commissioners, and again it was necessary to open the Exhibition to all Canada. "This year," continued Mr. Heartz, "we were fortunate enough to secure a like amount and with identically the same assistance, and it again necessitated us opening the Exhibition to the Dominion. There were two unfortunate years in which no exhibition was held, and that accounted for the fact that this present Exhibition was the 24th, although the first was held 26 years ago.

He thought that notwithstanding the fact that the Empire is at war the present Exhibition would be one of the most successful, if indeed not the most successful, in the history of the Association.

He said he had much pleasure in being able to thank the local government for the continuance of an augmented grant approximating $5,000, it having been raised to that amount from $3,950 four years ago. With the many patriotic calls upon the government, he said, it would not have been surprising if they had somewhat reduced it, but as the worst in war matters was over, they could safely regard the grant as a permanent one.

President Heartz also thanked the City Council for its grant of $500. It recognized that the City benefited by the Exhibition and accordingly made the grant.

He fully anticipated a continuance of the Live Stock Commissioners' grant. He thought that the Exhibition, good as it was, was not up to the standard it should be with such a country as we have. The Association had endeavoured, by offering larger prizes in certain classes, to encourage those classes and increase the exhibits in them, with an appreciable result. He urged more competition. The farmers might not realize it, but it would be far better, he thought, to be third in a class of 10 than first in a class of 3, and he had no doubt there were a great many farmers who, coming as mere spectators, would go away greatly benefited by what they saw, and many would realize that they themselves had as good animals at home as, if not better than, those they saw. Unless the farmers took an active interest in the Exhibition they showed a lack of patriotism and loyalty to their native province.

The President then complimented Professor Clarke of the Experimental Farm on the excellent work done there; and the short courses that were being held, he said, were proving of considerable benefit. He said that there must be more competition and more exhibitors taking part, if the fundamental principles of the Exhibition were to be carried out.

President Heartz then referred to the amusements, which he said were of a higher order than previously, and more wholesome. In connection with the horse races he pointed out that the veteran horseman of P. E. Island, Dr. J. T. Jenkins, would favour lovers of the sport by taking part in the races.

Mr. Heartz said that the comparison of the exhibits of 1915 and 1916 would be in the Press and he would not delay them with a recital of the figures, which appear below:

1915.

Horses	275
Cattle	390
Sheep	287
Swine	190
Poultry	450
Grains & Seeds	85
Roots & Vegetables	425
Fruit	390
Plants & Flowers	285
Dairy Products	77
Fancy Work	288
Art Work	130
Woollen Goods	127
School Work	39
Miscellaneous	201
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1916.

Horses	289
Cattle	458
Sheep	290
Swine	251
Poultry	614
Grain	111
Roots	583
Fruit	458
Plants & Flowers	232
Dairy Products	81
Fancy Work	440
Art Work	304
Woollen Goods	140
School Work	28
Miscellaneous	322
Total	4601

In conclusion, Mr. Heartz said:

"The thanks of the Association are due to the City School Board, and especially to Principal Seaman for their kindness in allowing the young ladies of Prince Street School to assist us at these opening exercises, and also to the young ladies. We expected to have Col. Peake, his officers and the men of the 5th Siege Battery in attendance today. Last year on the occasion of the opening of the Exhibition, Col. Peake kindly brought the 2nd Siege Battery here, and I cannot help thinking that one year ago I stood in the same position and looked on a superior collection of men many of whom are today in their graves, some in hospitals, and the rest in great danger, and they are doing it for us, and what are we doing for them? Practically nothing. However when they return it will be up to us stay-at-homes to do something of a substantial nature for them.

The President then called on His Honor the Lieutenant Governor formally to open the Exhibition.

LIEUT.-GOVERNOR McDONALD.

His Honour said he had much pleasure in opening the Exhibition. He had attended a great many exhibitions, he said, and he thought he could safely say that, so far as he could see, the present exhibition compared favourably with any of its predecessors and excelled many. The productions of the soil seemed to be excellent in every particular, and he thought both the President of the Association and the farmers deserved to be congratulated on the splendid show before them. He pointed out that interest on the part of the farmers was indispensable to the success of the Exhibition, and those who did not exhibit would learn a great deal from what they saw. He urged the great importance of co-operation pointing out that co-operation was the secret of success, evidenced especially by the work of the Allied nations;—Britain and her colonies, he said, were co-operating as well as Britain and her Allies.

His Honour congratulated the Association on the success of the Exhibition and attributed no small part of that success to the painstaking and enterprising efforts of Mr. Heartz, the President. He then declared the Exhibition formally open.

HON. MURDOCH McKINNON.

Hon. Murdoch McKinnon, Commissioner of Agriculture, then spoke. He said that the Provincial Exhibition was one of the most important and most interesting occasions in the course of the year, and the present Exhibition he regarded as a great success. "We meet to-day," he said, "under more favourable circumstances than we have met perhaps in many a year. The season opened favourably, the weather was all that could be desired, and we have more than an average crop harvested and well under cover. This should encourage people to avail themselves of every opportunity, especially when we see that there is a demand for the products of the farm and a good price awaiting them. I think nothing could be more advantageous to the people of this province than a visit to this Exhibition. We are proud of the fact that we are an agricultural community, for we realize that everything depends on agriculture. Viewing this building from this standpoint, I am satisfied it has a much better appearance than ever before, and the exhibits seem to me to be far in advance of anything we have had previously. In the live stock sheds you will find animals of very superior breed and a great credit to the province and the exhibitors. An exhibition of this kind is nothing if not educational. There could be no better opportunity for farmers to learn of their shortcomings and to take suggestions for the improvement of their own produce, than a visit to the Exhibition. We know that the farmers of this province are pretty well advanced in their methods and their education along agricultural lines, but we should bear in mind that THERE IS ALWAYS ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT, and the Exhibition is one of the most potent means of educating us to the standard which we should strive to attain. There is always room for improvement, I repeat, and we should endeavor, by comparing our own produce with that of more successful competitors, and ascertaining wherein the difference lies, to bring about the desired improvement." Mr. McKinnon commented particularly on the exhibit of cheese which he thought showed a vast improvement over that of former years. He also referred to the exhibit of wool, in which there was again a marked advance. The poultry division was splendid and in regard to the exhibit of eggs—one of the most perishable articles on the market—there had been such an improvement in recent years that today Prince Edward Island could boast of putting its eggs on the market IN BETTER CONDITION than any other province. (Applause.) The President had stated that the farmers had not exhibited as largely as they might have done. He agreed that the exhibits might have been larger, but he pointed out that the articles that were on show were a distinct credit to the farmers. Before very long, he said, there would be a contingent of competitors that would surprise the Association. A short time ago Rural Science was introduced into the schools, with the result that today there are school exhibitions here and there throughout the country, at which the school children exhibit vegetables, etc., that would compare favourably with those shown at the Exhibition. (Applause.) These school children, said Mr. McKinnon, would be heard from in a short time; they would be the exhibitors of the future, and the inestimable knowledge which they were acquiring now, and the interest which they were taking in the matter, would ensure, in time to come; the greater success of the Island's great educational enterprise.

AMERICAN COUSUL PEARCE.

Dr. Pearce, American Consul, gave an eloquent address in which he paid tribute to Prince Edward Island's agricultural potentialities and the splendid part which he declared she has played and is playing in the mighty world drama. He was most happy, he said, personally and as the representative of his country, to be present at the opening of the Exhibition Two happy and beautiful pictures were presented to those who were upstairs; one lay below and the other upstairs, (the school children.) These children, he said, were the hope of Canada, and the exhibits were an evidence that the adults had not been

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ANOTHER AIR RAID ON ENGLISH COAST

Twenty-Nine Killed in Second Raid Within the Week.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

LONDON, Sept. 26— Twenty-nine persons were killed in last night's Zeppelin raid, it was announced officially today.

Bombs dropped in last night's Zeppelin air raid on England carried out by some half dozen of these German aircraft, caused the death of 29 persons it was officially announced in London today.

The Zeppelin air raid of last night, the second within the present week, was made by several airships between 10.30 o'clock and midnight. They crossed over the east and northeast coast and dropped bombs in the northern counties. The official account of the raid issued last night, said that probably six Zeppelins took part in the attack.

LONDON, Sept. 26—"Several hostile airships crossed the east and northern coasts of England between 10.30 o'clock and midnight last night," says an official communication issued shortly after midnight.

"Bombs are reported to have been dropped at several places in Northern and north Midland Counties.

"An airship is also reported off the south coast.

"No reports of casualties or damage have been received."

Later the following official statement concerning the air raid was made public.

"Several hostile airships—probably six—visited the Northeastern and Southern Counties during the night Bombs were dropped in the Northern Counties, and some casualties and damage are reported.

"Full reports have not yet been received."

BRITISH TAKE COMBLES GREATEST TRIUMPH YET

Germans Must Now Fight in the Open, All Their Prepared Lines Being in the Hands of the Allies. Taking of Combles Regarded as Greatest Triumph Since Offensive Began on Somme Front.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

LONDON, Sept. 26.—The British have entered Combles, on the Somme front, the war office announced today and are overcoming the resistance of the Germans.

(Special to the Guardian.)

LONDON, Sept. 26.—Combles, the pivotal point in the German line guarding the approaches to Bapaume on the north and Peronne on the south of the Somme has fallen before terrific attacks of French and British, the Germans fighting to death or surrendering when there was no longer hope. French and British troops swept in from the sides after their capture of Morval and Fregicourt and broke through the German defence over running all before them. This place with its marvellous subterranen passages, and powerful fortifications had been caught in the grip of the Allies who, coming from the north and South had already advanced far beyond it and cut off communication with the rear, on the narrow strip which was covered by allied guns.

At the end of the fighting the town was filled with bodies of Germans who had fallen fighting. French official statement says: Prior to the loss of Combles the effect of the victories of the French and British armies in capturing important stragetic positions on the previous day was reflected in the official communication issued by the German war office. Both Thiepval at the north western end of the British line and the fortified town of Gredecourt, north west of Lesboeufs have also fallen into the hands of the British. Around the former place many hard battles have been fought since the inception of the great entente offensive on July 1st.

General Sir Douglas Haig's men, after capturing Thiepval drove on eastward and took the Sollern redoubt, a strongly fortified position which lies between Thiepval and the British line at Courcellette. The French line was advanced beyond Fregicourt, and captured the wood between that village the greater part of the German fortified positions lying between this wood eastward across Bethune Road to western portion of the German line of communication to the south from Bapaume.

German casualties in fighting are declared by Paris to have been heavy. In addition during two days fighting more than 1,200 Germans were made prisoners by the French, while the British took in excess of 1,500. Large quantities of booty, including machine guns were taken by the Entente Allies.

While Petrograd continues silent with regard to operations on the Eastern front both Berlin and Vienna tell of the repulse of strong Russian attacks in Volhynia, Galicia, and Carpathians mountains region. On the Rouman'an front Austrians and Germans have been compelled to evacuate Vulcan Scurduk passes of the Transylvanian Alps in order to avoid an extensive encircling movement started by the Roumanians.

EXHIBITION RACES

Mayor Todd Wins 2.20 Trot and Pace, and Brenton H. the 2.40 Trot Stake. Todd Again Lowers His Record.

The race programme of the opening day of the Exhibition is an index of what is to follow today and tomorrow. The public may look for two days of real sport. Although the two races were won in straight heats, there was lots of excitement and fast time.

In the 2.20 trot and pace Mayor Todd, owned by Mr. Hammond Kelly, Charlottetown, P. E. I., and proved to his provincial admirers that he is the greatest trotting stallion in Canada. This is a broad statement, but his performances of yesterday clearly showed that he could have trotted the mile in 2.13 or better, and Judges of the racing flesh claim he is a 2.06 or better trotter on a mile track. He trotted the three heats without a mistake and in each heat was pulled up to a jog at the wire. A sample of his speed was nicely shown in the first half of the last heat— 1.06 1-4. Fastest mile 2.16.

Orwell Bell, proved too strong for Devilish Dorothy by winning two seconds. The above two mares made a race in itself, both battling all the time for second honors. Dixie Girl won fourth money.

The 2.40 trot (Stake) was neatly won by Brenton H., owned by Mr. H. C. Hooper, Charlottetown. When the other contestants would strive for the pole, Brenton always had more speed left and was never in danger. His fastest time was 2.21 1-4.

The attractions in front of the grand stand were interesting and up to the standard.

Many complaints were made about the dusty track and no signs of the watering cart. What's the trouble?

2.20 CLASS, TROT AND PACE.
Purse $400.00.

MAYOR TODD, br. st., 2.16 1-2, entered by Hammond Kelly, Charlottetown, P. E. I.	1	1
ORWELL BELL, entered by The Ellis Pharmacy, Montague, P. E. I.	2	3
DEVILISH DOROTHY, Blk. M. 2.17 1-4, entered by Dr. J. T. Jenkins, Charlottetown, P. E. I.	3	2
DIXIE GIRL, Bay M. 2.24 1-2 entered by J. A. Henderson, Charlottetown, P. E. I.	4	4
ZEALOT, Blk. St. 2.29 1-2, entered by Michael McKenna, Vernon Bridge, P. E. I.	dr.	
R. SHARPER, 2.18 1-4, b. g. entered by The McKinnon Drug Co., Charlottetown, P. E I.	dr.	

Time, 2.17, 2.16, 2.17.

2.40 CLASS, TROT STAKE.
Purse $400.00.

BRENTON H., Dun G., 2.40 1-2, entered by H. C. P. E. I.	1	1
LLOYD ACHILLE, 2.21, Bay G., entered by Angus McGillivray, New Glasgow, N. S.	2	2
CAP CRESCEUS, Bay G., entered by Frank Boutellier, Halifax, N. S.	4	3
UPTON PRINCE 2.45, Bay H., entered by Dr. J. T. Jenkins, Charlottetown, P. E. I.	3	4
ADMIRAL, B. G., entered by A. F. Murphy, Charlottetown, P. E. I.	5	5
JELLICOE 2.35, Br. G., entered by Hammond Kelly, Charlottetown, P. E. I.	6	dr.

Time, 2.22, 2.21 1-4, 2.25.

THE URBAN STOCK CO. IN THE OLD HOMESTEAD

Another full-capacity house greeted the Urban Stock Co., at the Prince Edward Theatre last night when that fine old drama, The Old Homestead, was staged and played in a manner that delighted the large audience and gave this excellent company a stronger grip than ever upon the theatre lovers of Charlottetown. The plot of the story is familiar, a boy who had gone adrift in New York, a father and mother who had never lost faith in him, and his eventual redemption and return through the good offices of another who was himself rescued from ruin through the kindness and help of the boy's father. The story is well worked out, pathos and comedy excellently balanced and each of the characters admirably suited to the part taken.

Mr. Fred Harvey as Joshua Whitcomb, the old fashioned country farmer, father of the boy Reuben who had gone astray, took the part splendidly, blending the pathetic with the humorous in a way that brought "a lump to the throat" to be instantly removed by roars of laughter. Mr. Charles Hammond as "Frank Hopkins," the erring son of the Millionaire Henry Hopkins and who was helped back on the way to respectability and home through the kindness of Hopkins, also finely interpreted his character, while lots of comedy and variety were added by the other members of the cast. The leading lady, Miss Marion Johnquest, while taking only a minor part took it to the best advantage as "Rickety Ann," and created lots of amusement.

The specialties between acts were probably the best seen in Charlottetown. Certainly Mr. Harry Ferris has no superior as a ventriloquist, while Mr. George Silliman in songs and stories kept the audience in roars of laughter and was repeatedly recalled.

The Old Homestead will be repeated this afternoon as a matinee performance and will be given in its entirety. Those who missed it last night will make a mistake if they miss it this afternoon and very many who didn't miss it will certainly be there to hear and see it over again.

Tonight "Sinners" one of the big New York successes, will be put on and there is going to be another houseful, as the Company has in their two nights' performances made themselves irresistible. It will be necessary to book seats early for tonight as there is going to be a rush. This is a friendly tip.

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