

PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

The Largest and Best Show of Live Stock.

Grand Display of Fruit and Farm Products.

Good Weather—Large Attendance—Most Successful Exhibit.

A BAINY night and a cloudy morning were succeeded by a very pleasant day; and the exhibition is, in every respect, successful.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor arrived at the Exhibition Building at eleven o'clock this forenoon, and was received by Honorable Senator Haythorne and other Commissioners.

ADDRESS. His Honor the Honorable Jedediah S. Carvell, &c., &c., &c.

Y I PLEASE YOUR HONOR: The undersigned, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners appointed by your predecessor Council to conduct the Provincial Exhibition, have much pleasure in congratulating your Honor on your appointment to the position of Lieutenant Governor of this Province, on your assumption of the important duties connected therewith.

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ten or twelve feet high, by the first of September, and relished by a stock of all kinds.

In other countries two bushels of vetches, one bushel of wheat, and one bushel of horse-beans per acre have been found to answer well; but in this country beans are not infrequently destroyed by an aphid. And in a matter of so great importance as the summer and winter feeding of stock, we should, as far as possible, avoid risks of failure. Nevertheless, this seeding of wheat, beans and vetches, has been approved on the dairy farms of the Aylesbury Dairy Co. The wheat and beans are valuable in their unripened state as fodder, and the vetches, when cut, are a most nutritious food for summer use, would, it is considered, answer well to succeed corn fodder, which the first frost of autumn destroys. This address would be incomplete were no reference made to cereals which are generally held to be the crowning glory of the agricultural year, and it is within the knowledge of the undersigned that farmers are much discouraged by the low price of grain. Probably your Honor's report of the season, the order of grain may have led you to the conclusion, that prices above the current market rates can only be obtained by producing samples of superior weight and quality—or shortening supply by holding back in expectation of rise. The former course is to be recommended, and is available to any skillful, enterprising farmer; the latter practicable only for men in easy circumstances, and even they will often find themselves losers in the long run by holding for a rise. Are we, then, to regard the partial failure of our grain crop—the rusted stem, the ear lightened of its proper burden, by the ravages of the insect progeny of the fly or wheat midge?

Let those who are inclined to despond because of the partial failure of the wheat and oat crops of 1889 remember that problems as difficult have, ere now, been solved by scientific research. Counsel should be taken with the managers of the Experimental Farms, particularly with Professor Saunders, to whom it would be a labor of love to devise and apply remedies suitable to damage so serious.

But though Experimental Farms are established over most regions of this continent, yet their managers must be supplied with reliable data before they set themselves to devise the proper remedies. Are these disastrous failures of wheat and oats due to poverty of the soil or to climatic influences? or to simply the action of insect or fungoid ravages? Set before the Professors an exact description of the land which yielded a satisfactory return of these cereals. It had probably been well manured. As to quality as well as quantity it was dry, with a good exposure, and gave satisfactory returns. But what about those other fields, where the juices of the wheat, which should have swelled the ripening ear, were sucked out by the maggot or the wheat midge, leaving the farmer empty hulls instead of the full kernel he expected?

Perhaps close investigation might lead to the conclusion that the poor crops were starved by the scarcity of those mineral substances said to be essential to the production of healthy grain as nails are to the building of a house. There may have been manuring in both cases: in the successful one, the manure derived from full-fed stock, no waste being incurred from excess of other causes; in the other case, the manure may have been derived from straw-fed cattle, and no care taken to prevent loss by the washing of rain water and melting of snow, nor help being given to the land by the use of artificial fertilizers, the rotation of crops being also disregarded.

Can no mechanical aid be suggested to the farmer, by which noxious insects can be dispersed by spraying or destroyed by poisonous liquids or powders? The undersigned asks your Honor's permission to illustrate the subject by some recent and very recent experience. The turnip crops of Great Britain have, during the last century, if not longer, been frequently destroyed by their appearance above ground by the little jumping beetle, of which we know something in this Island Province. Large rewards have been offered for the discovery of an efficient remedy by destroying or driving off these pests. But no such remedy was discovered till last year, when an effective spraying machine was tried at one of the model farms in the west of England and approved. The same or a similar machine lately met with a welcome reception at the Paris Exhibition, and it is hoped that by its aid the diseases effecting the vines may be arrested, and the machine be also used for spreading powdered fertilizing substances. Truly your Honor, in these days of active rearing, a century will not be required to devise efficient protection for our cereals, against both their insect and fungoid enemies.

Add to these encouraging circumstances the recent victories won at Moncton by the owners of Island horses, cattle and sheep, and last, but not least, of Island orchardists competing with a fruit producing country of the highest reputation.

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hibition building was full to the uttermost. His Honor referred to the several products of the year, and said, that, taken altogether, he believed they were, in point of money value, second to none ever before raised in any single year. He expressed the hope and belief that the exhibitions would go on increasing in size from year to year, after greater facilities are afforded. Referring particularly to the excellence of the fruit exhibit, he pointed out that the culture of apples is exceedingly profitable, and showed how foolish it is to raise only about one-half of one per cent. of the apples consumed in the Province. He commented upon the excellence of the live stock exhibits, and spoke strongly about the general utility of exhibitions, which enable farmers to compare their best products, and to obtain mutually beneficial information.

After cheers had been given for the Queen, the Lieut.-Governor and the ladies, Archibald McNeill, Esq., briefly addressed the audience, referring particularly to the change of management which would take place next year, his long service under the old regime, and his probable retirement, next year, from the office of Secretary.

FRUIT.

The fruit tables—extending across the room—were the first attraction in the exhibition building; and almost the first observation made by everyone was, "Why import large quantities of fruit when we can grow such excellent fruit ourselves?" We have not seen finer apples anywhere than were exhibited at each of the three exhibitions this year. The task was very difficult to perform. There were about three hundred different samples to choose from, all the leading varieties were shown, and between many of the samples there was merely a shade of difference. They were, however, very careful in their work, using the scales and judiciously weighing the merits of the fruit. It may be interesting to know that five of the largest apples on exhibition weighed exactly four pounds and three ounces. Of crab apples, there were about a hundred samples of splendid fruit, fully developed in every particular. The pears did not make so large an exhibit, but those shown were large and luscious to a degree. The sample shown by George F. Owen, Esq., of Cardigan, was delicious, and we have no doubt that other samples were almost, if not quite as good. Very large bunches of grapes—the grapes being fully developed—were shown, and some very good plums were exhibited by Mrs. Earle and others—though this is the off year. Altogether the show of fruit was most encouraging to farmers and others who look forward to the production of abundance of fruit for themselves and for sale. By the way, we hear complaints that thieves have lately visited many of the orchards, taking the fruit and injuring the trees. The robbing of orchards should no longer be treated as a venial offence, but should be frowned down and the robbers punished. It is too bad that persons striving to cultivate good orchards should be annoyed in this way.

FLOWERS.

The show of flowers was not large, but included some of the choicest kinds. We noticed particularly the delicate lilies of L. W. Watson, Esq.; and there were asters, verbenas, dahlias, petunias, gladiolus, fuschias, pansies, and many other varieties of beautiful flowers shown by Mr. H. Smallwood, of Middleton, Miss Longworth, of Glynwood, Mrs. Richard Burke, of Charlotetown, Miss Sarah Essory, of Charlotetown, Mrs. Adam Fyfe, of Summerside, Mrs. Edward Bayfield, Mr. Archibald Irwin, Mrs. Beaton, Mrs. Geo. W. Hodgson, Miss E. McKinnon, and others.

The exhibition of paintings was creditable to a community so small as Charlotetown. There were one or two very fair landscapes, and a good marine sketch. The crayon drawing of St. Aloysius is remarkable as the work of a girl living at New Zealand, who has received no instruction in the art and but little general education. The production of this crayon shows that she has the force of natural genius, and that, if she continues to obey the suggestions of nature, and obtains instruction in drawing, etc., she may take rank among the artists of her day and generation.

GRAIN.

The show of grain was not so large as it ought to have been, nor were the samples quite as good as those shown at Summerside and Georgetown. The prize wheat weighed 47 lbs. per bushel, as against 67 lbs. at Georgetown; and the prize black oats weighed 47 lbs. per bushel, as against 48 lbs. at Georgetown. The prize white oats weighed 47 lbs., and Norway oats 47 lbs. per bushel. The barley was exceptionally heavy, weighing 68 and 60 lbs. per bushel, or 12 lbs. above the standard.

ROOTS AND VEGETABLES.

Of potatoes there were fifty-three baskets on exhibition. We have not seen a finer collection. Other roots and vegetables were rather below than above the mark of former years. The celery shown by Mr. C. E. Rowe, James Burke and C. E. McKinnon is greatly admired, and the large and very fine collections of vegetables exhibited by Mr. James Bourke, of Southport, and Richard Bourke, of Charlotetown, and also worthy of special mention. The tallest fodder corn we have seen—some 18 or 20 feet in length—was shown by Messrs. William and Herbert Howard, of South Wiltshire Road. A sample of very fine white onions were shown by William Heard, Esq.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

There were about seventy samples of butter and thirty-five of cheese, fully sustaining the reputation of the Island Province. Samples of splendid cheese from the Cornwall and Dunk River factories, and by Mr. George Compton, Summerside, were shown. The exhibits of farmers' cheese were very fine as usual; and the quality of the butter shown was, on the whole, excellent.

THINGS WORTHY OF MENTION.

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baskets by the Indians of Rocky Point; a sample of peat moss for bedding, shown by the Charlotetown Moss Litter Company. A sample of the Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil, as prepared by Mr. Richard Jordan, of Murray Harbor; South, attracted attention as a homemade article fully as good in every respect as much of that which is imported from abroad to be used by our invalids. We are pleased to learn that Mr. Jordan's preparation has been highly recommended by our leading physicians, and is steadily working its way upon the home market. The "Ideal Churn" exhibited by Mr. C. I. Morrison is worked on the same principle as the "Ideal Washing Machine," and seems to embody the right idea. It is in favor in Nova Scotia where it is manufactured.

PRIZE LIST.

FLORICULTURE—CUT FLOWERS OR IN POTS. Asters, not less than 4 colors—1st, H. Smallwood, Middleton; 2nd, K. A. Murchison, North River.

Phlox Drummondii, not less than 4 colors—1st, Mrs. E. Bayfield, city; 2nd, L. W. Watson, do.

Salpiglossis, not less than 4 colors—1st, Miss P. Longworth, Glynwood; 2nd, H. Smallwood, Middleton.

Dianthus, not less than 4 colors—1st, Mrs. Richard Burke, Royalty; 2nd, A. Irwin, city.

Roses, not less than 3 colors—1st, Mrs. Richard Burke, Royalty; 2nd, Mary E. McKinnon, Highfield.

Verbenas, not less than 3 colors—1st, Sarah J. Essory, Royalty; 2nd, Mrs. Adam Fyfe, S'side.

Dish of Balsams, blooms—1st, Gertie Mason, city; 2nd, Annie E. Bourke, Southport.

Three Dahlias, small double—1st, Mrs. E. Bayfield, city; 2nd, Mrs. Adam Fyfe, Summerside.

Three Dahlias, large double—1st, Mrs. E. Bayfield, city; 2nd, Mrs. Adam Fyfe, Summerside.

Three Dahlias, single—1st, Mrs. E. Bayfield, city; 2nd, Mrs. Beaton, do.

Three Gladiolus—1st, H. Smallwood, Middleton; 2nd, Mrs. D. Beaton, city.

Three Lilies—L. W. Watson, city.

Four varieties Single Petunias—1st, Mrs. Richard Burke, Royalty; 2nd, Miss P. Longworth, Glynwood.

Three varieties Double Petunias—1st, Miss P. Longworth, Glynwood; 2nd, Mrs. Richard Burke, Royalty.

Six Double Zinnias—1st, A. Smallwood, Middleton; 2nd, Mrs. D. Beaton, city.

Twelve varieties Pansies—1st, A. Irwin, City; 2d, Sarah J. Essory, Royalty.

Hand Bouquet of Flowers—1st, Miss E. McKinnon, City; 2d, Mrs. G. W. Hodgson, City.

Table Bouquet of Flowers—1st, Miss P. Longworth, Glynwood; 2d, Miss E. McKinnon, City.

Bouquet of Everlasting Flowers—Mrs. Richard Burke, Royalty.

Three varieties Fuschias in flower—Mrs. Robert Crabbe, City.

Single Geranium—1st, Mrs. Richard Burke, Royalty; 2d, Miss Lottie Strickland, City.

Double Geraniums—1st, Mrs. Richard Burke, Royalty; 2d, Miss Lottie Strickland, City.

Collection of Geraniums for foliage and for flower, not less than six varieties—Mrs. Richard Burke, Royalty.

Judges—Mrs. F. P. Norton, J. G. Eckstadt, A. Smallwood.

FRUIT—APPLES.

Collection of Winter Apples, not more than 10 sorts of 5 each—John Robertson, Inkerman.

Five Autumn Strawberry Apples—2d, Mrs. Geo. White, North River.

Gravenstein—1st, W. J. Simpson, Cavendish; 2d, B. E. Wright, Royalty.

Chenango Strawberry—1st, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 2d, John Robertson, Inkerman.

Peach—1st, John Robertson, North River; 2d, Henry Burke, Southport.

Duchess of Oldenburg—1st, Jas. Turner, Trout River, Lot 21; 2d, Jas. McLeod, Lot 48.

Permain, Blue—1st, Mrs. Jacob Judson, Union Road; 2d, John Robertson, Inkerman.

Northern Spy—1st, Mr. Mellet, Union Road; 2d, John Robertson, Inkerman.

Five Yellow Belle Fleur or B. Pippin—1st, John Robertson, Inkerman; 2d, Malcolm Murchison, North River.

Golden Russet—1st, A. A. Moore, Pownal; 2d, Jas. Farquharson, Lot 48.

Baldwin—1st, Jas. G. McCallum, Brackley Point; 2d, W. S. McEachern, Lot 48.

Bibston Pippin—1st, A. C. Brown, Stanley Bridge; 2d, John Boyer, Lot 48.

Haas (Fall Queen)—1st, John Robertson, Inkerman; 2d, J. A. Gill, Little York.

King of Tompkins Co.—1st, Donald Carr, Stanhope; 2d, Jas. McCallum, Brackley Point.

Alexander (Emperor)—1st, W. J. Prowse, Brackley Point Road; 2d, Percy Mutch, Lot 48.

Tetofsky—1st, John Robertson, Inkerman; 2d, Alex. Ferguson, St. Peter's Road.

Williams Favorite—1st, John Robertson, North River; 2d, B. E. Wright, Royalty.

Ben Davis—1st, J. A. Gill, Little York; 2d, E. Ryan, Johnston River.

Damsons—1st, J. B. Dickieson, New Glasgow; 2d, Beattie Barrows, Royalty.

Native Seedling Plums—1st, Clara Alexander, Stanhope; 2d, Ethel Mason, city.

PEARS. Collection of not less than 4 sorts, 5 of each sort—1st, F. Brown, city; 2nd, B. E. Wright, Royalty.

Five Flemish Beauty—1st, J. R. Beer, city; 2d, F. Brown, do.

Belle Lucrative—F. Brown, city.

Bartlett—F. Brown, city.

Louise Bonne de Jersey—1st, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 2d, F. Brown, city.

Any other variety—1st, William Cairns, St. Peter's Road; 2d, J. D. Mason, city.

GRAPE.

Two bunches White or Green, indoors—1st, C. A. Hyndman, Brighton; 2d, R. Chd Huddy, city.

Two bunches Black, indoors—William Heard, city.

Two bunches Black, outdoors—A. McKinnon, Royalty.

Two bunches Red, outdoors—1st, B. F. Drake, Pownal; 2d, T. B. McRae, do.

GRAIN.

Two bush White Wheat—1st, James A. Stewart, Kensington; 2d, Geo. Compton, S'side; 3rd, Martin McLean, Royalty.

Two bush White Oats—1st, George F. Owen, Cardigan.

Two bush 2-rowed Barley—1st, Thomas Bulman, Rustico; 2d, Christopher Bulman, do; 3d, Dominic Pieno, do.

Two bush White Oats—1st, John Robertson, Inkerman; 2d, George McKenzie, Southport.

Two bush Black Oats—1st, Daniel Bulman, Rustico; 2d, John Robertson, Inkerman; 3d, Frederick Bulman, Wheatley River.

Two bush Norway Oats—1st, John Robertson, Inkerman; 2d, Thomas Bulman, Rustico; 3d, J. H. Saunders, Winsloe Road.

One bush Peas—1st, J. McMillan, West River; 2d, J. Robertson, Inkerman.

One bush Baking Beans, white—1st, Jno Robertson, Inkerman; 2d, Jas. A. Stewart, Kensington.

One bush Buckwheat—1st, John McMillan, West River; 2d, John Mellett, Union Road.

Collection of Grain in the sheaf, one sheaf of each—1st, Allan McDonald, West River; 2d, John Walker, Royalty.

SEEDS—GROWTH OF PRESENT YEAR.

One bush Timothy Seed—Thomas Bulman, Rustico.

Twenty pounds Red Clover Seed—John Robertson, Inkerman.

Half bush Flax Seed—William Mellett, Union Road.

Honorable Mention—Collection of Seeds from John Robertson, Inkerman.

Judges—Francis Andrews, Arthur Simpson, John M. Baker, George Carter, William Acorn, Donald Stewart, James Guard, James Wisner.

POTATOES.

Half bush Bliss' Triumph—1st, John Mutch, Lot 48; 2d, Geo. Howard, Winsloe Road.

Half bush White Star—1st, John McDougall, Argyle Road; 2d, Geo. Tweedy, North River.

Half bush Beauty of Hebron—1st, Chas. McLean, Royalty; 2d, J. C. Lawson, Stanhope.

Half bush McIntyres—1st, Jas. Byrne, North River; 2d, John McKinlay.

Half bush Empire State—1st, Arthur Wright, West River; 2d, Martin McLean, Royalty.

Half bush any new kind—1st, Chas. McLean, Royalty; 2d, F. McKenzie, Ellerslie.

Collection grown from seed balls, sown in 1889—1st, Arch. Matheson, North River; 2d, S. F. Drake, Pownal.

Twelve Seed Turnips—1st, Chas. Dockendorf, North River; 2d, Geo. Tweedy, do.

Twelve long Re Mangel Wurtzel, greatest weight—1st, Thos. Parsons, City; 2d, Geo. M. King, Royalty.

Twelve Yellow or Orange Globe, do—1st, J. A. Judson, Lot 49.

Half bush Parsnips, large for stock—1st, Wm. Fraser, City; 2d, John Robertson, Inkerman.

Half bush White Field Carrots—1st, Jno McKinlay, North River; 2d, James Burke, Lot 48.

Judges—Joshua Wescott and Abraham Brown.

One doz Onions, red (ripe)—1st, Geo. H. King, Royalty; 2d, Henry A. Holl, City.

One doz do, White or Yellow; do—1st, Geo. H. King, Royalty; 2d, John Stanlake, City.

Half doz do, largest unripe (red)—1st, Geo. H. King, Royalty; 2d, G. H. Jones, Pownal.

Half doz do, Yellow or White—1st, B. Steele, City; 2d, W. J. Palmer, Royalty.

Two doz Shallots—1st, Henry A. Holl, City; 2d, Geo. Lawson, do.

One doz Table Beets, long variety—1st, Alex. McKinnon, Royalty; 2d, John Collwill, City.

Three Savoy Cabbage, by weight—Jas. Burke, Lot 48.

Brace Cucumbers—1st, G. E. Bayfield, City; 2d, Alex. Essory, Royalty.

Brace Citron Melons—1st, G. E. Bayfield, City; 2d, Helca Dawson, do.

Brace Musk Melons, ripe—1st, Jas. A. Stewart, Kensington; 2d, Lemuel Wright, City.

One doz Tomatoes, red, for size, smoothness and perfection of shape—1st, Henry A. Holl, City; 2d, John Elliot, Royalty.

One doz Tomatoes, red, largest of any kind—Jas. Burke, Lot 48.

One doz Tomatoes, large, yellow—1st, Jas. Burke, Lot 48; 2d, Alex. Essory, Royalty.

One doz Tomatoes, yellow plums—1st, Richard Burke, Royalty; 2d, Alex. Essory, do.

Half doz Roots Celery, red—1st, Jas. Burke, Lot 48; 2d, C. E. Rowe, City.

Half doz Roots Celery, white—1st, C. E. Rowe, City; 2d, Alex. McKinnon, Royalty.

Sample Fodder Corn, six stalks—1st, Wm. Howard, South Wiltshire Road; 2d, Hubert Howard, do.

Group Vegetables—1st, Jas. Burke, Lot 48; 2d, Richard Burke, Royalty.

Judges—E. Bayfield, Von Clure Gay, J. J. McKinnon.

CHEESE.

Best 3 Factory Cheese, not under 50 lbs. each—1st, Cornwall Cheese Co., Cornwall; 2d, Dunk River Factory; 3rd, Geo. Compton, S'side.

Two Cheese, not less than 20 lbs. each, farmers' make—1st, Robt. Jones, Lot 48; 2d, Henry Hyde, West River.

Judges—Jas. T. McNutt, Jos. Knight, F. H. Beer, John Hawkins.