

Provincial Exhibition, 1884.

The morning was fine; and there was early on our streets a miscellaneous multitude of quadrupeds and bipeds—all, however, tending in one direction, the direction of the Exhibition grounds.

By noon everything was in order for the opening ceremony. The Band of the 82nd Battalion was in attendance; and the Exhibition Building was thronged with the bone and sinew and brain of the Province. Precisely at noon His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor arrived, accompanied by Mrs. McDonald, and F. H. Conroy, Esq., and was received on the platform by His Worship the Mayor, His Honor Judge Hensley, Hon. Donald Ferguson, Senators Carvell and Montgomery, F. L. McNeill, Esq., M. L. C. Patrick Blake, Esq., M. P. P. George W. DeBlois, Esq., William Haslam, Esq., Archibald McNeill, Esq., Secretary of the Board of Commissioners, the Venerable Dr. Mackinson, and other gentlemen. Judge Hensley, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners read the following:—

ADDRESS:

To His Honor the Honorable ANDREW ARCHIBALD MACDONALD, Lieut.-Governor of the Province of Prince Edward Island: MAY I PLEASE YOUR HONOR.—The Commissioners appointed to manage the Prince Edward Island Provincial Exhibition (1884) have great pleasure in welcoming you on this occasion, being the first since you assumed the duties of Lieutenant-Governor of this Province. We heartily congratulate you upon your appointment to this high and important office, and trust that you may be enabled to discharge its duties with satisfaction to yourself, as we are well assured you will to the satisfaction of the people. We know that we have good reason for this assurance since you are no stranger to us, but a long known and valued citizen who, through many years past (we may say from boyhood up) has held various posts of honor and confidence in the Legislature and other branches of the Public Service, invariably fulfilling their requirements with courtesy and credit. In this expression of opinion and goodwill we are sensible that the people of this Province will concur. We wish every happiness for yourself, Mrs. Macdonald and family during your term of office, and in all future time.

Although there is no specially new feature in the present Exhibition calling for remark, it is, we believe, in the number of its exhibits, by no means behind any of its predecessors. It certainly proclaims that a vast improvement in the excellence and variety of the various products and live stock of the Province has been developed during the last few years.

An effort was made last spring by some of our leading inhabitants to secure the holding in Charlottetown this year, of the General Exhibition of the whole Dominion. Various causes combined to make this effort unsuccessful, and perhaps among others the fact that the meeting of the eminent scientists composing the British Association being held in Montreal, made it not only desirable, but almost imperative necessary that the Exhibition should be held there also.

We hope that another and more successful effort will at some future time be made to secure the object in view of holding the General Dominion Exhibition in Prince Edward Island. United action on the part of the Local Government, the Civic authorities in Charlottetown, and the general public could, we know from enquiry, be easily secured to obtain this desired result, and will, we have no doubt at no very distant day, be exercised for the purpose.

We now request Your Honor to declare this Exhibition open.

On behalf of the Commissioners, JOSEPH HENSLEY, Chairman.

Charlottetown, Oct. 8, 1884.

His Honor replied as follows:

REPLY.

To the Commissioners of the Provincial Exhibition:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN.—I thank you heartily for your address, and for the kind words of welcome you have spoken. It is very gratifying to me to receive your congratulations on my appointment to the office of Lieutenant-Governor of this Province, and to hear your generous expressions of confidence that the important duties now devolving upon me shall be faithfully discharged. I am pleased to know that I have fulfilled the trusts heretofore reposed in me in a manner that has met with the approval of the public, and it is my anxious desire, by a constitutional and impartial administration of the affairs of this honorable office, to still merit the approbation of the people of my native Province.

I deem it a high honor to be asked to open this Exhibition, which offers such a good representation of the results of our husbandry, and the practical skill of our artisans, and shows a continuing improvement in the quality of live stock, for which this Island has become so justly celebrated.

Having no valuable mines nor extensive timber lands which contribute so much to the wealth of other Provinces of Canada, the fertile soil of this Island presents the best field for industry, and this exhibition conveys some idea of its capabilities under a proper system of tillage. The progress now being made in the business of farming and in the raising of stock will tend, I have no doubt, to foster a taste for agricultural pursuits throughout the country, and will induce many young men who might otherwise leave our shores to seek a precarious living in other countries, to settle down on farms in the Island, where honest labor will be sure to meet an abundant reward.

The great success attained abroad by exhibitors from this Island has tended to make this Province more widely known, and caused its products to be sought for by foreign markets. In view of these results it is important that our people should lose no opportunity of competing with their neighbors in those branches of industry to which they have given attention.

While it is to be regretted that the effort made to secure the holding of the Dominion Exhibition at Charlottetown this year did not prove successful, I entertain the hope that the object in view may some day be realized.

For your good wishes for the happiness of Mrs. Macdonald and family and for myself, please to accept my sincere thanks.

In accordance with your request, I now declare the Provincial Exhibition open, and I trust that your labors and those of your efficient Secretary may conduct it to a satisfactory close.

Charlottetown, October 8, 1884.

ROOTS AND VEGETABLES.

The show of roots and vegetables is not as large as it might be; but those on exhibition are splendid after their kind. Perhaps the most prominent is the mammoth squash grown by Mr. R. Burke, which weighs a hundred and eighty (180) lbs. The Secretary (Mr. McNeill) regards it with great pride, and reminds us that it is larger and finer than the one that took the first prize at St. John last year. There are also some splendid samples of fodder corn, mangel wurtzel, turnips, carrots, beets, potatoes, etc. Edward Bayfield,

Esq. (who retains his place as a leading exhibitor) shows thirty different varieties of potatoes grown by him from the seed balls; also some of the finest mangel wurtzels ever exhibited in this Province. Mr. Isaac Knight, of Government House farm, is the exhibitor of twelve varieties of vegetables—all first-class—as will be seen by referring to the prize list. The white field carrots exhibited by him are immense. The Messrs. Burke, Charlottetown, Royalty and Southport, are very successful exhibitors in this class.

WOOLLEN GOODS.

There is a very good show of woollen goods. The leading exhibitors are the Tryon Woollen Factory Company, and the Charlottetown Woollen Factory Company. Each exhibits upwards of a hundred and twenty different pieces and patterns, all of which are made from the wool supplied by our own farmers. The clothes are of excellent quality, and in point of finish are quite good enough for any gentleman in the land. It is not strange that both mills are flourishing. Their cloths should be worn by all Islanders.

The mats and rugs are "better than ever," and give evidence not only of good workmanship, but of a very fine taste in the selection of colors. The ladies, by whom the best are manufactured (no prize list), deserve very great credit.

FRUIT.

The fruit show is very fine indeed; pity it is not shown to better advantage. Displayed as in the large exhibition buildings of the other Provinces, the fruit would be a very marked feature and a great attraction. Mr. Abram Gill exhibits a case of fruit, containing six different varieties of crab apples, and he has on exhibition ten varieties of apples—all grown to perfection in his own orchard. The apples shown by Benj. E. Wright, Mrs. George Davies and Wm. Gill, would, we believe, take high rank in Nova Scotia, or indeed in any part of Canada. William Heard, Esq., shows some very fine grapes; and the red plums shown by Wm. Brown, Esq., are magnificent.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

This is a large class, and a most difficult class to judge. The exhibits were better, on the average, than in any previous year; and the differences between the choice lots were exceedingly nice. Those who obtained the prizes deserve very great credit; and those who did not get prizes should not feel discouraged or displeased, either with themselves or the judges. On the whole, it is very gratifying to mark so decided an improvement all round, in those important products of the farm.

GALVANIZED IRON.

Messrs. George and Fred. Foster make an exhibit of galvanized iron for use on sea and land which are well worthy of attention, and which show that it is not necessary to go abroad for these goods. The galvanized ship block straps and clew irons were made by Mr. George Foster for a new ship owned by William Welsh, Esq. The gate hinges manufactured by Mr. Fred. Foster should commend themselves to our farmers and others who desire to have the entrance to their homes made neat and ornamental, and who like to be economical. The galvanized iron will not rust and will not rot the wood. A word to the wise is sufficient.

SOAPS.

Messrs. Beer & Sons exhibit soap, made at their factory, in this city, of ten different brands; also, toilet soaps in small cakes, and samples of potash as prepared and sold by them. The success of their venture in the soap manufacturing line seems to be assured; and if they keep up the excellence of their soaps and sell at reasonable prices—as they are pretty sure to do—they will, in the course of a few years, fully supply the home market.

BUTTER TUBS, ETC.

Mr. H. Coombs shows his patent butter tubs, in different sizes; also, several first-class barrels; also, models of the life-boat invented by him; also the model of an improved wagon top. All but the last of these articles have been exhibited in Toronto, Montreal and other places, and have been favorably noticed. They give evidence of practical talent, which we hope to see redounded to the honor and profit of Mr. Coombs.

ART.

While the artistic work on exhibition do not give much evidence of genius, it is pleasing to note that there are among us earnest and skilful workers in art. In all the exhibits there are evidences of effort to such a high ideal of merit; and we have no doubt, that by the exercise of patience and perseverance, the ideal will be reached by at least some of the exhibitors.

THE BAY STATE FERTILIZER.

Mr. J. M. Auld, the well known egg merchant, exhibits the ingredients of which the "Bay State Fertilizer" is composed, in twelve glass bottles. They smell well, and attracted the attention of our most enterprising farmers, most of whom have come to the conclusion that fertilizers, judiciously used, pay.

ORGANS AND SEWING MACHINES.

Messrs. Miller Brothers of this city exhibit two very fine organs and also several sewing machines for which they are agents. They also show specimens of work done by their sewing machines, which are well worth examining.

GRAIN.

The exhibit of grain was small; but the samples shown were excellent.

ON THE WHOLE.

There is shown at the Exhibition a very fine, if rather small, representation of the products of the Province.

PRIZE LIST.

CLASS 6—CHEESE.

Best 3 Factory Cheese, not under 50 lbs. each, 1st, Riverside Creamery Company; 2nd, Dunk River Factory; 3rd, George E. Full, York Factory.

Best 3 Cheese, not less than 25 lbs. each, farmers' make, 1st, Robert Young, Lot 48; 2nd, Fredk. Abbott, Union Road; 3rd, Mrs. James Howard, West River.

CLASS 7—BUTTER.

Best 5 lbs. Fresh Butter (in prints or rolls), 1st, Mrs. P. M. Bourke, Mill View; 2nd, Mrs. Duncan Scott, North River; 3rd, Mrs. David Beers, North River.

Best 3 packages Butter, for exportation, Factory or any one Dairy make, not less than 32 lbs. each, 1st, Hon. D. Ferguson,

East River; 2nd, Mill View Creamery Co.; 3rd, Isaac Crosby, St. Peter's Road.

Best tub or crock Butter, not less than 28 lbs. nett, farmers' make, 1st, Hon. D. Ferguson, East River; 2nd, Miss Alice Moran, Highfield; 3rd, Mrs. James Stewart, St. Peter's Road.

BRUCE'S SPECIAL PRIZES FOR BUTTER.

1st, Miss Maggie Stewart, St. Peter's Road; 2nd, Isaac Crosby, St. Peter's Road; 3rd, Mrs. Judson, Alexandria; 4th, Mrs. John McNeill, Brackley Point Road; 5th, Mrs. George Sellar, Highfield.

Judges—William Mutch, William Dennis, Herman McDonald, Donald McKenzie.

CLASS 8.—GRAIN.

Best 2 bushels White Wheat, 1st, Benjamin Cole, Bedouque; 2nd, William Pippy, Lot 48.

Best 2 bushels two-rowed Barley, 1st, Fredk. Bullman, Wheatley River; 2nd, Jacob Smith, Green Bay, Lot 23.

Best 2 bushels White Oats, 1st, Thomas Bullman, Rustico; 2nd, John Dewar, Lot 48; 3rd, Joseph Smith, Lot 23.

Best 2 bushels Black Oats, 1st, Thomas Bullman, Rustico; 2nd, Fredk. Bullman, Wheatley River; 3rd, William Pippy, Lot 48.

Best 2 bushels Norway Oats, 1st, Stephen McCallum, Brackley Point Road; 2nd, Wallace McKenzie, Lot 48; 3rd, Albert Morris, West River.

Best 1 bushel Peas, 1st, John Dewar, Lot 48.

Special Prize by F. T. Newbery, Esq.—Best Fodder Corn, T. D. Crosby, West River.

(All prize articles in class 8 to be the property of the Board, and to be sold at auction in the Exhibition Building, on Thursday, Oct. 9th, at 12 o'clock, noon.)

CLASS 9—SEEDS.

[The growth of the present year.]

Best 1 bushel Timothy Seed, 1st, Patrick Duffy, Lot 48; 2nd, John Dewar, Lot 48.

Best half bushel Flax Seed, Patrick Duffy, Lot 48.

Judges—Isaac Thompson, Francis Andrews, James R. Elliott.

ROOTS AND VEGETABLES.

Best half-bushel Early Rose Potatoes, 1st, Isaac Knight, City; 2nd, James McDonald, West River.

Best half-bushel Burbank Seedling, 1st, W. F. Dawson, Charlottetown Royalty; 2nd, Robt. McMillan, Covehead.

Best half-bushel Praline, 1st, Joseph Boiesner, Royalty; 2nd, George Tweedy, Royalty.

Best half-bushel Goodrich, 1st, Mrs. Lewis, Charlottetown Royalty; 2nd, Arch. McLean, Charlottetown Royalty.

Best half-bushel Beauty of Hebron, 1st, Judge Hensley, City; John Curley, Charlottetown Royalty.

Best half-bushel McIntyres, 1st, Henry Bourke, Alexandria; 2nd, Wm. McGrath, Milleville.

Best half bushel any new kind, 1st, A. F. Tomlin, City; 2nd, George Tweedy, Royalty.

Best Collection of Potatoes grown from Seed Balls, sown in 1884, 1st, Edward Bayfield, City.

Best 12 Swede Turnips, 1st, Duncan Stewart, Southport; 2nd, John W. Jones, Lot 48.

12 Long-red Mangel Wurzel, 1st, Edward Bayfield, City; 2nd, John Ings, City.

12 Red Globe, 1st, Edward Bayfield, City; 2nd, Yellow or Orange Globe, 1st, Edward Bayfield, City; 2nd, Isaac Knight, City.

Half bushel white field Carrots, 1st, Isaac Knight, City; 2nd, Charles Palmer, City.

Half bushel Long Orange Carrots, 1st, Edward Bayfield, City; 2nd, Judge Hensley, City.

Half bushel Parsnips (large, for stock), 1st, Charles Palmer, City; 2nd, Isaac Knight, City.

1 Doz. Onions, red (mature) 1st, James Bart, Southport; 2nd, Isaac Knight, City.

1 Doz. white or yellow (do.) 1st, William Brown, City; 2nd, Charles Palmer, City.

1 Doz. Table Beets, (long variety) 1st, Frank Knight, City; 2nd, Mrs. Henry Palmer, City.

1 Doz. Table Beets (round or turnip) 1st, Mrs. Henry Palmer, City; 2nd, Alex. McKinnon, Royalty.

1 Doz. Sugar Beets, 1st, A. Dewar, Lot 48; 2nd, George H. King, City.

1 Doz. Parsnips, for table use, 1st, Edward Bayfield, City; 2nd, Edward Walsh, Government House.

1 doz Danvers, or any other half-long variety of Carrot, for table use, 1st, Isaac Knight, City; 2nd, Frank Knight, City.

Carroll & McLeer, City; 2nd, Carroll & McLeer, City.

Judges—John M. Phail, John Scott, S. W. Dodd, William Stenas.

CLASS 12.—FRUIT.

Best basket Cooking Apples, not less than 12, 1st, Benj. E. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, Jataas Lewis, City.

Best basket Eating Apples, not less than 12, 1st, Benj. E. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, Benj. E. Wright, Royalty.

Best basket Winter Keeping Apples, not less than 12, 1st, Mrs. Geo. Davies, City; 2nd, Miss F. Rankin, City.

Best sample Crab Apples, not less than 1 quart, 1st, Mrs. DesBrisay, Spring Park; 2nd, Mrs. John McMillan, Brackley Point Road.

Best sample Siberian Crab Apples, not less than 1 quart, 1st, Thomas Lane, Donastuffage; 2nd, Mrs. Geo. Barriett, St. Peter's Road.

Best sample Green Gages, 1st, Matthew Allan, City; 2nd, Mrs. Wear, City.

Best sample Purple Plums, 1st, Robert Beira, City; 2nd, J. R. Moore, Pownal.

Best sample Damsons, 1st, Miss Gertie Mason, City; 2nd, Pansy Hyde, West River.

Best dozen Pears, 1st, Wm. Cairns, St. Peter's Road; 2nd, Robert Beers, City.

Best bunch White Grapes, 1st, William Heard, Royalty; 2nd, Abram Gill, Little York.

Best half bushel Strawberry, 1st, James McQuaid, M. Stewart; 2nd, Mrs. John Horne, Rustico.

CLASS 13.—FLORICULTURE.

(Cut Flowers, or in Pots.)

Best collection of Astors, not less than four colors, 1st, Miss Kate Ann Murchison, North River; 2nd, Miss D. C. McKinlay, North River.

Best collection of Phlox Drummondii, not less than four colors, 1st, D. Striving, City; 2nd, Miss Kate McLean, St. Peter's Road.

Best collection Stocks, not less than four colors, 1st, Miss F. Rankin, City; 2nd, Miss B. Davies, City.

Best collection Salpiglossis, not less than 4 colors, 1st, Miss Agnes Longworth, City.

Best collection Dianthus, not less than 4 colors, 1st, Edward Bayfield, Royalty; 2nd, Mrs. B. Bourke, Royalty.

Best collection Roses, not less than 3 colors, 1st, Miss McLaure, Pownal; 2nd, Mrs. B. Davies, City.

Best collection Carnations, not less than 3 colors, 1st, G. H. Hazard, City; 2nd, J. G. Eckstadt, City.

Best collection Verbenas, not less than 3 colors, 1st, Mrs. D. C. McKinlay, North River; 2nd, Miss Louise Hales, City.

Best 3 Dahlias, small, 1st, Edward Bayfield, City; 2nd, W. W. Wellner, City.

Best 3 Dahlias, large, 1st, Mrs. Bayfield, City; 2nd, Wm. Brown, City.

Best 3 Gladioli, 1st, Wm. Brown, City; 2nd, Mrs. Daniel Davies, City.

Best 3 Lilies, 1st, Miss Louise Hales, City; 2nd, G. H. Hazard, City.

Best 4 varieties Single Petunias, 1st, Mrs. B. Davies, City; 2nd, Miss Agnes Longworth, City.

Best 3 varieties Double Petunias, 1st, Thos. Ridgeway, City; 2nd, Edward Bayfield, City.

Best 3 Pelargoniums, 1st, Miss P. E. Longworth; 2nd, Thomas Ridgeway, City.

Best 3 Double Zinnias, 1st, Miss A. Lord, Brighton; 2nd, Miss Kate McLean, St. Peter's Road.

Best 12 Pansies, 1st, Edward Bayfield, City; 2nd, Wm. Brown, City.

Best Hand Bouquet of Flowers, 1st, Thos. Ridgeway, City; 2nd, Mrs. George Davies, City.

Best Table Bouquet of Flowers, 1st, Miss D. C. McKinlay, North River; 2nd, J. G. Eckstadt, City.

Best Bouquet of Everlasting Flowers, 1st, Miss Ellen Bourke, Royalty.

Best three varieties of Fuchsias, in flower, 1st, Thomas Ridgeway, City; 2nd, Mrs. John Williams, City.

Best three varieties Single Geraniums, 1st, Miss Jane Hazard, City; 2nd, Miss Agnes Longworth, Glynwood.

Best Hearth Rug, all rags, 1st, Miss LePage, City; 2nd, Mrs. John McDougall, West River.

Best 3 pairs Men's Woolen Socks, 1st, Mrs. Dorad Scott, North River; 2 d, Miss Susan McGregor, Lot 48.

Best 2 pairs Women's Woolen Stockings, 1st, Miss Mary E. Crosby, Milton; 2nd, Miss Susan McGregor, Lot 48.

Best 2 pair Men's Woolen Mitts, 1st, Mrs. Donald Scott, North River; 2nd, Mrs. D. Kennedy, Lot 48.

Best pair Men's Woolen Overalls, 1st, Miss Martha Kennedy, Lot 48; 2 d, Mrs. William McKenzie, Lot 48.

Best collection of Knit Work, 1st, Mrs. George Scantlebury, City; 2nd, Miss J. A. Wright, Middleton.

Best six new Linen Towels, home made, 1st, Mrs. Hector McLean, West River; 2nd, Mrs. George Barnett, St. Peter's Road.

Best new Linen Table Cloth, 1st, Mrs. James McKenzie, Uigg; 2nd, Mrs. Hector McLean, West River.

Best pair new Linen Sheets, 1st, Mrs. W. Webster, St. Peter's Road; 2nd, Mrs. Hector McLean, West River.

Best 2 new Linen Grass Sacks, 1st, Mrs. Hector McLean, West River; 2nd, Mrs. John Morrison, Flat River.

Best 2 pairs Women's Woolen Stockings, 1st, Miss Sharpley, City; 2nd, Miss Maggie Kenny, Lot 48.

Best 3 pairs Men's Woolen Mitts, 1st, Mrs. George Burnett, St. Peter's Road; 2nd, Mrs. D. Kennedy, Lot 48.

Best collection of Knit Work, 1st, Miss Alice Nelson, North River; 2nd, Miss Sarah McPherson, Murray Harbor Road.

Judges—James McLeod, Mrs. B. Hearty, Miss M. Coles, Miss A. J. Longworth, Mrs. R. Young, Mrs. B. Davies.

CLASS 15.—FISH.

Best Case 1 doz. Canned Lobsters, 1st, Walter Matheson, City; 2nd, Cameron Bros., Richards Point.

Best Case 1 doz. Canned Mackerel, 1st, Robblee & Clarke, Summerside.

CLASS 16.—FINE ARTS.

Best Oil Painting, 1st, Miss Annie Alley, City; 2nd, Miss Annie Alley, City.

Best Water Color Painting, 1st, Miss Alice Turner, City; 2nd, Miss Fanny Wright, City.

Best Crayon Drawing, Miss Mamie Harris, City; 2nd, Katie McLean, St. Peter's Road.

Judges—Geo. W. Millner, Russel G. Freeland, Thomas McKinlay.

Notes on Cattle Show and other branches of the Exhibition are held over until to-morrow.

Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court met at Summerside yesterday; Chief Justice Palmer presiding. There is but one criminal case on the docket and sixteen civil cases. The following are the names of the Grand Jurymen:—

Donald C. Ramsay, foreman; William Wright, Archibald Gillis, John Henderson, James McFarlane, Peter Duffy, Richard Lea, James McNeill, James Beattie, Charles McQuarrie, John Cunningham, Francis D. Liberty, James L. A. Neil Sinclair, W. F. Burrows, George Linklater, Albert Williams, Duncan McGoogan; Alex. C. McDonald, John Glover, John Beaton.

DIED.

On the 7th inst., at the residence of his father, on Dorchester street, John Whitty, in the 17th year of his age.—R. I. P.

(Funeral will take place to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.)

At Granville, New London, on Sept. 24th, of diphtheritic croup, Mary Augusta, eldest daughter of Cyrus and Sarah M. Morris, aged 11 years.

SCOTT ACT CAMPAIGN

The Renowned Temperance Lecturer, Prof. G. E. Foster, M. P.,

Will Lecture on the importance of retaining in force the Canada Temperance Act, Saturday next, the 11th October, at 8 p. m., at the

Benevolent Irish Society Hall,

(late Bible Christian Church.) Also, at the MARKET HALL,

On Monday, the 13th Oct., same hour, and will give an address on same subject on Sunday afternoon, at 4 p. m., in the Y. M. C. A. Hall.

By order Dominion Alliance, F. W. HALEN, President.

Ch'town, Oct. 8th.

Market Hall, Ch'town.

Boston Comedy Company, H. PRICE WEBBER, Manager.

This (Wednesday) evening, Oct. 8, the great play

BRITISH BORN!

(Miss Edwina Gray, as Mary Hope)

Admission, 25 cents; Reserved Seats as usual. Doors open at 7; Overture at 8 o'clock.

Change of Programme nightly.