

PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

THURSDAY'S EXHIBIT—PLOWING MATCH AND TESTING OF AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

The exhibits of Thursday were scarcely less interesting than those of the previous day. The Ploughing Match and the trial of the improved farm implements occupied the whole day, and seemed to engross the attention of the large number of farmers who remained upon the grounds.

THE PLOWING MATCH.

Their were but four entries for the match; and—well we have seen better specimens of ploughing. There is this to be said, however: the sod was exceedingly dry, and not very level; and some of the competitors were entirely new to both ploughs and teams. The latter was the case with Mr. George Essery, of Milton, who won the first prize. The plough he used—though one of the best modeled and most highly finished ever made on the Island (the maker was Mr. Wyatt, of Malpeque Road)—had never before turned a furrow, and the horses had not previously worked together. But Mr. Essery's ploughing was, nevertheless, very good, and showed clearly that, under more favorable circumstances, he can do first-class work. The winner of the third prize was quite a lad—the son of William McGregor, Esq., of Lot 19. Young McGregor, deserves high praise for his pluck and skill. Had he just been a little more careful in the opening up and finishing of his ridges, we believe he would have taken first or second money. As it is, his work indicates that he will, ere long, be worthy of the steel of the ploughman who may ever dip a coulter in this Province. Mr. McColl, who won the second prize drove, an exceptionally excellent team; and his harness and accoutrements were everything that could be desired.

FANNERS AND SEPARATORS.

Mr. Angus Gregor's patent was exhibited to good advantage and great satisfaction. Two bushels of oats were cleaned by him, fit for the market, in the short space of one minute and a half; and oats and barley were by the machine separated from wheat almost as thoroughly as they could possibly be separated by hand. Scarcely less excellent was the machine shown by Mr. Thomas W. Hall, of Summerside. It cleaned the oats in precisely the same space of time; and the separating was by it done very quickly and thoroughly. Mr. Dickieson's machine, though not awarded a prize, was an excellent one and remarkably well painted and finished.

POTATO DIGGERS.

Three of these were tested; but none gave entire satisfaction. The man who will invent a machine to dig potatoes, sift them from the soil, and lay them in rows ready for the picker, may be born, but he has yet to be found. The exhibitors were the Messrs. McKenzie (father and son) and Mr. Donald McLeod—all of Lot 48. The latter obtained the prize.

GANG PLOUGH.

Only one of Island make was exhibited, and that a by no means excellent specimen. A trial was, however, made of gang ploughs owned by Donald Ferguson, Esq., and Mr. LePage. Those of the former gentleman gave specially good satisfaction; and, in the hands of one more experienced in gang ploughs than any on the grounds, still better satisfaction would undoubtedly have been given. We are pleased to see these time and labor-saving implements being introduced. As our fields become level they will be found of great advantage.

PULVERIZERS.

Messrs. McKinnon & McLean, of "Esdale Foundry," exhibited a "pulverizing harrow," which is certainly a great improvement on anything of the kind hitherto introduced here. It is made up of revolving cast-iron wheels affixed to adjustable wooden bars; and, while light of draft, it cuts up and pulverizes the soil in a very satisfactory way. Several other inventions for pulverizing and cleaning the soil were also shown by D. Ferguson, Esq., and others. Mr. Bowie, of Ontario, showed an ingenious machine for sowing broadcast and pulverizing.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Wyatt's Iron Plows were worthy of special mention. Rutherford's Hay and Straw Cutter—all the way from Georgetown—is simple in its construction and effective in its operation.

CORRECTIONS AND OMISSIONS.

Second best Blood Mare with her Foal, John O'Ronaghan, Esq., Somerset. Drawings in Water Colors, Miss M.

Pope and Miss Campbell—both worthy of honorable mention.

LIST OF PRIZES:

PLOWING MATCH.  
1st prize, George Essery, Milton, Queen's Co., \$12.  
2nd do., John McColl, Bedeque, \$9.  
3rd do., Ernest McGregor, Lot 19, \$6.  
4th do., James H. Crossman, Freetown, \$3.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Best set Fanners with Separator combined, Angus Gregor, \$10.  
2nd do. do. do., Thomas Hall, \$5.  
Best Potato Digger, David McLeod, Lot 48, \$15.  
Best Scuffler, none.  
Best Churn, Philip Mulligan, Summerside, \$5.  
Best Truck Wagon, P. A. Conners, Wilmot, \$8.  
Best Threshing Machine with Cleaner, none.  
Best Pulverizer, McKinnon & McLean, Esdale Foundry, \$5.  
Best Horse Hay Forks, David McLeod, Lot 48 (not having complied with regulations only half prize awarded), \$3.  
2nd best do., William McKenzie, Lot 48, do., \$2.

NAMES OF JUDGES.

Harness—Archibald M. Wright, F. S. Robertson.  
Roots—William Haslam, Nathaniel McLaren, John M. Montgomery.  
Fine Arts—R. T. Holman, Edward Bayfield, Mrs. J. C. Underhay, Zilla E. Craswell.  
Horses—Charles J. Hazard, George Robertson, B. Bearisto.  
Horticulture—Benjamin S. Mills, Edwin Darby, Thomas Crabbe.  
Sheep—Lauchlin McMillan, Jas. Ramsay, Geo. Mason.  
Ploughs and Cultivators—George Sinclair, William McNeill Simpson, Thomas Reid.  
Pigs—Philip McKinnon, Wm. Rattray, S. C. Black.  
Grain—Murdoch Ross, Daniel Robertson, Rodk. McLeod.  
Poultry—John Thorne, W. T. Darby, James Norton.  
Textile Fabrics in Wool—Flora Robertson, C. V. McGregor, Raubin Tuplin, Wm. Bagnall, Donald Stewart.  
Boots and Shoes—Archd. M. Wright, F. S. Robertson.  
Floriculture and Fruit—Mrs. John A. McLaine, W. Strong, David Stirling.  
Cattle—Patrick Blake, Walter Hogg, F. V. Henderson.  
Butter and Cheese—G. A. Bearisto, F. L. McNutt, John A. McKeuzie.  
Sheep—Wm. Glydon, Samuel Hyde, Jas. D. Dewar.  
Carriages and Sleighs—William Pound, Andrew Mooney, Wm. J. Fraser.

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Our thanks are due to John Gaffney, Esq., the active and efficient Secretary, and to Mr. Charles Steves, his obliging assistant, for kindness and courtesies readily extended.

A Disgraceful Blunder.

"HOW NOT TO DO IT" EXEMPLIFIED.

THOUGH it was well known that hundreds of visitors remained in Summerside over yesterday, yet only one car was provided for the express train which left there last evening. The consequences were, in brief: those who got into the car were literally packed like herring in a box, and must have travelled home most uncomfortably; hundreds were obliged to remain behind disappointed—to pour maledictions upon the heads of blundering railway officials. An additional train was provided after a large proportion of the disappointed ones had decided to fret and fume in Summerside until the following day; the additional train left at half-past nine o'clock, with a few passengers who arrived home to disturb their respective households after midnight; Conductor Thompson and his train hands were obliged to do double duty and to work all night, and the expenses of the additional train were so much dead loss to the country—all because the railway managers (or mismanagers) had not the common foresight to provide three or four cars for the regular express train. In point of simple thoughtlessness, this blunder rivals the painting of the Summerside Station House on Exhibition day, and the promiscuous distribution of huge daubs of paint over the finery of the passengers who crowded to see the show.

The Labrador Fisheries.

All that we now know of the outcome for the current year, of the greatest of our industries, may be dismissed in a few words. From Cape Mungford, north, failure is encountered. From this Cape to Cape Harrigan, southward, a fairly average result is shown. From Cape Harrigan, south to Domino, the fishery may be described generally as good. From Domino, south and west through the Straits of Belle Isle, the work done falls greatly below an average, and represents a serious failure, though not a disastrous one. Salmon River is alone, we believe, an exception to this unsatisfactory state of things. Not the less the Labrador fishery will pay along the whole line; but the profits will not be at all fairly distributed. It is to be regretted that the herring fishery has proved this year almost an absolute failure.—*Nfld. paper.*

Buy your Watches and Jewelry at Taylor's, which are offered low to suit the times.

SHOP LIFTING.

\$170 Worth of Silverware Stolen.

ABOUT three o'clock this morning the store of A. A. Baldwin & Co. was entered by a party or parties, as yet unknown, and it is estimated that one hundred and seventy dollars' worth of silverware, pocket knives, etc., were stolen. At an early hour the police on beat on Queen street discovered that the rear door leading to the *Herald* composing rooms was burst open. They proceeded up the rear stairs and discovered that the composing room door was also burst open. On entering the room they found three boards raised from the floor, and, no doubt, an entrance was effected to Messrs. Baldwin & Co.'s hardware store. When Mr. Baldwin's clerks arrived this morning the police informed them of the above facts. Entering the store, they saw at a glance that the show-cases were stripped of all their silverware, pocket-knives, etc. The rear ware-rooms were examined, and marks indicating that the robbers obtained ingress through the *Herald* composing room, and descended to the store by the ware-room stairs from the third story, were visible. The police made a diligent search of all suspicious localities; and, at 8 o'clock, arrested two vagrants, named John O'Reilly and James Troy. Nothing further was realized until 9 o'clock, when a boy arrived at the Police Station, and informed the officers that a large quantity of silverware was lying in the vicinity of Douse's Wharf. They went immediately to the place, and found the silverware as the boy described, tied up in an old coat. The articles found are as follows:—

- 70 pocket-knives,
- 17 silver pickle-forks,
- 19 " butter-knives,
- 5 " fruit picks,
- 2 " pie turners,
- 12 " mustard spoons,
- 34 " table forks,
- 9 dozen silver teaspoons,
- 4 1/2 " " dessert spoons,
- 4 steel bend trimmers
- 7 steel horse clippers,
- 1 silver case.

These articles are now in the City Marshal's office, and were identified by Mr. Baldwin to-day. O'Reilly and Troy were examined before the Stipendiary Magistrate this morning. There was no evidence to implicate them, and they were remanded eight days for vagrancy. It is said that the prisoner—O'Reilly—was employed for a half day in the *Herald* Composing Rooms at "turning off" the *Herald*. While there he was seen to curiously examine the floor, etc. This fact, coupled with the incidents of O'Reilly's previous life, shows that he is not above suspicion.

THE FIRE TO-DAY.

Mr. R. Brydges' Pork Packing Establishment Burned to the Ground.

TO-DAY the large pork packing establishment of Robert Brydges, Esq., situated between Fitzroy and Kent streets, at the east end of this city, was entirely consumed by fire. At 2 o'clock the attention of a number of coopers who were working in their apartment at the north side of the building, was attracted by a singular noise in the south end. On going to the place from whence the noise proceeded they found a blaze of fire rapidly extending over the apartment. They immediately let out a large number of young pigs that were in an apartment near by, and then proceeded to extinguish the flames. Their efforts were unsuccessful, and a messenger was dispatched to give the alarm at the Police Station. "Big Donald" was quickly sounded, and soon the different engines were on way. Arriving on the grounds, the south side of the building was seen to be covered by one immense blaze, which was extending rapidly towards the north end. Water was looked for in vain; every well in the vicinity was dry, and for a time utter confusion reigned among the officers of the Fire Department. A small quantity of water was discovered in the pump at the railway crossing near the Lower St. Peter's Road, and "Tremont" and "Rollo" steam engine took position at it. They played but a short time when the water gave out, and "Rollo" was transferred to the well at the Gas House. The "Silsby" wisely took a position at the tank at King's Square. From her arrival there, she continued to throw a telling stream, and did good service. The blaze continued to extend toward the north end of the building and communicated to the ice house, and thence to the workshop of Mr. George Lacey, Carpenter. People living on Fitzroy Street, seeing the rapid approach of the flames, removed the greater portion of their furniture, and, in every way, prepared for the emergency. The building continued to burn rapidly, and all hope of saving the smallest portion of it was given up. The Hook and Ladder Company, in order to prevent the further spread of the flames, levelled the ice house, and the engines

played a continuous stream of water on the workshop of Mr. Lacey, and then succeeded in arresting the progress of the flames. At three o'clock the building and ice house was level with the ground. The engines continued to play on the workshop of Mr. Lacey, the flames in which were quickly extinguished.

The factory which was consumed is a two-story pitch-roof building, one hundred feet long and forty feet wide. It contained one thousand pork barrels, a large quantity of cooper's materials, and sundry other articles. We learn that it was insured in the Queen's Company for \$1,000. Mr. Brydges' loss is estimated at about \$1,200. Mr. Lacey's workshop was nearly destroyed. His loss will, no doubt, amount to something over \$100.

The Hanlan-Courtney Race.

THE great aquatic contest between Hanlon and Courtney came off at Lachine on Thursday evening. Sheriff Harding, of St. John, the referee, gives the official time of the great race as 36 minutes and ten seconds, and declared Hanlon the winner by a little over half a length. He pronounced it as the greatest aquatic contest he ever witnessed.

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JOSEPH B. MACDONALD. JOHN M. WALKER. Souris, King's County, 2nd September, 1878. 2i m f rg her 3i 30

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