

was awarded to J. H. Anderson, of Flamborough West. Mr. C. Anderson, of Haldimand, exhibited the best two bushels of spring wheat. The show of peas, oats and barley was good, but not better than usual.

ROOTS, &c., were large and healthy, notwithstanding the wet season. The show was not so good as we have seen, but was nevertheless very creditable.

HORTICULTURE.—The productions in this department were not so numerous as we have seen them, but the quality was generally excellent. The coldness and lateness of the season rendered it impossible to make much display in those productions of the garden of high tropical origin. We tasted some of the melons, squashes, &c., but found them insipid; they were not ripe. Hon. John Young, Montreal; William Smith, Brantford; John Gray, Toronto; Judge Campbell, Niagara, and a few other local exhibitors, divided the prizes in vegetables. The same gentlemen were also competitors in fruits. The peaches and grapes made a tempting display. Mr. Woodruff of Niagara; Judge Campbell, same place; Charles Arnold, Paris; James Fleming, Toronto; John Freed, Barton; and Mr. C. C. Benedict, Falls; displayed extensively in these fruits. Mr. Arnold's grapes we can commend, for we had practical evidence of their juicy richness and agreeable flavour.

DAIRY.—The best butter was made by Mr. James Wilson, North Dumfries, and the best cheese by Mr. Hiram Ranney of Dereham. One of the cheeses of Mr. Ranney was as large as a cart-wheel, and proportionately thick. He is the prince of cheese-makers in Canada. The exhibition in the products of the dairy was not equal to some former shows.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.—The implements and machines exhibited at Brantford, show a decided advance. The number of ploughs exceeded that of any former show. The harvest machines were also superior in number and quality to those of any previous year. In pursuance of the recommendations of this and other journals, an attempt was made to submit these important machines to the test of trial. The proper season for such a trial had been allowed to pass, and the only crop available was a field of oats, badly laid, at the farm of Mr. A. Good, about two miles from the fair ground. The labour of testing the reapers and mowers, *ten or twelve* in number, and also about *thirty* ploughs, fell upon the shoulders of five gentlemen, who, in addition, had to examine and make awards upon all the other agricultural machinery! This was expected to be accomplished in two and a half days! Either of these divisions—the reapers and mowers, the ploughs and cultivators, or the threshing machines, straw-cutters and other machines—would have imposed ample labour upon any one committee. The result was, a hasty trial, a hurried examination, and in some cases probably unsatisfactory awards.

The *Ploughs* were ordered to the field on Wednesday morning. Each exhibitor was required to begin and finish a short "land;" but as it was found that too much time would be consumed by this requirement, they were told to complete about a dozen furrows. The ploughs were each placed upon the work they had performed. The judges then examined the work, noting its quality and the number of the plough. The dynamometer was then attached to each plough in succession. They were all