

## RECORD CROWD AT FAIR THURSDAY

### CHILDREN'S DAY WAS A SPLENDID SUCCESS

More Than Seven Thousand Entered the Grounds During the Day—Horse Racing in Afternoon.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Yesterday was a big day at the exhibition. The attendance was a record breaker, about seven thousand people paying for admission. It being Children's Day, youngsters were greatly in evidence on all sides, while the interest that was manifested in the exhibits and various attractions was shared by a throng of children of larger growth. The side shows, such as the glass-blowing exhibition, and the "Wonderful Alice" did a rushing business. There was a constant stream of people pouring into the different tents, and during the day the exhibition management may have been standing in line and patiently waiting a turn. Similar patronage was extended to the "Rest" tents, and the staff presiding over them certainly had a very busy day.

The principal attraction, however, was the horse-racing, which took place on the Bowker track. Three or four thousand people took this feature in, the grand stand accommodation being taxed to its fullest extent. On the grounds in the immediate vicinity and along the track there stood a great crowd of spectators, who seemed to enjoy the races. If today's and tomorrow's events prove as strong drawing cards as yesterday's racing the exhibition management may, with every justification, congratulate themselves. The people began to wend their way to the exhibition grounds about 10 o'clock in the morning, and for four or five hours the street cars had all they could handle.

The stock parade was repeated, the management having found this feature one of the most interesting of the exhibition. It will be held for the last time again today. There was a large attendance last night, and as usual, the attractions were much enjoyed. Mrs. Edmonds sang in fine voice "The Red, Red Rose," a selection composed by her husband, Geo. A. Edmonds, which earned for her an enthusiastic recall. She rendered a number of solos during the evening and more firmly than ever established her position in the esteem of the music-loving element in attendance. Mr. Rogers, of M. W. Waite & Co., acted as accompanist in his usual artistic style. To-morrow evening it is quite likely that Jesse Longfield will play Mascaroni's "For All Eternity." Mrs. Edmonds will sing to-night by special request "Annie Laurie."

Another interesting feature of last evening's programme—and a very exciting one—was the tug-of-war between a team from No. 5 Company, Fifth Regiment, and the Navy. Although the Navy team were the heavier they were defeated by the soldiers in a little over seven minutes. This event drew an enormous crowd and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed. The opposing aggregations were as follows:

Company No. 5, Fifth Regiment, R.A.—Duncan, 166 pounds; Scott, 166; Paine, 139; Jones, 164; Moore, 149; Laurie, 155; Scovill, 166; Andrew, 161; Barber, 175; Saunders, 152. Total, 1,563 pounds.

Navy—Kerr, 150 pounds; Walker, 184; Bennett, 163; Goldsmith, 165; Leary, 159; Brown, 172; Buck, 174; Green, 165; O'Leary, 176; Tribble, 162. Total, 1,679 pounds.

#### THE HORSE RACES.

Fast Animals Here and Judge Fullerton Will Insist on Their Best Performance.

Several thousand people witnessed the first day's race meet at the Victoria Driving Park yesterday afternoon. The weather, although not sunshiny, was favorable to the sport, there being no wind and the air was calm and balmy. Under these conditions, and with the reputation of the horses entered, better time should have been made on the track than was recorded. There were a number of good contests, but the races on the whole were not just what the people who filled the grand stand and crowded the grounds surrounding expected. In two or three events there appeared an evident attempt at jockeying.

J. A. Fullerton, the acting judge, was not unmindful of the fact. No one in this province is more keen or alert to notice anything of this kind, and it is this characteristic which makes his services in the judge's stand so valuable at many of the race meets throughout the Pacific Northwest. He expressed his dissatisfaction with some of the races, and repeated warnings, fined one driver \$25 and placed him in the last of the race. Others will hear from him before Saturday's races if they succeed, under more enticing circumstances than offered yesterday, in making better time than the other race he left a number of riders at the pole because of their apparent desire at jockeying in the first race. Mr. Fullerton's commendable work was time and again loudly applauded. Under his discipline the good racing this afternoon and tomorrow is assured.

During the afternoon the Fifth Regiment band was in attendance, and a little side attraction that proved the pleasure of all eyes was the balloon ascension arranged by Chief Watson, which took place immediately in front of the grand stand. A dummy was attached to the balloon, which created a great deal of amusement.

The first event was a special race arranged to take the place of one mentioned on the programme as declared off. The best two in three heats decided it. Three horses entered, all pacers, namely, Son, driven by Walter Millington; Bar-

nade, a Vancouver horse, driven by Ed. McRae, and Freak, a Washington animal which appeared here last year and demonstrated that he was a very fast horse. In the first heat Mr. Fullerton inflicted his first punishment. McRae was fined \$25 for not driving to win, and, though Baranade came in second to Solo, he was placed third in the heat. Freak broke repeatedly, and was out of the race in time to speed performance. The time made was only 2.45. This was recorded in the lead and Baranade second. But the time was not satisfactory, and Mr. Fullerton promised McRae that if his horse made better time on Saturday that that driver would hear from him.

The Flash purse, valued at \$150, to be won in a half-mile dash, was down on the programme for the second race, and brought out a field of five as follows: Beautiful Girl, owned by L. W. McLaughlin; Marfada, by W. C. Marshall; Dr. McLean, by Miss F. McNeill; Madrone, by C. H. Cottle, and Red Spinner, by Capt. Donohue. There was a long delay, exasperating to spectators, in starting this race, and the starter's flag finally dropped with Dr. McLean, T. Gannon up, and Red Spinner, J. D. Clark up, left standing at the pole. Marfada dropped out of the first round, but caught up with the second, and took third place, Beautiful Girl winning out with Madrone second. Time, 53.4.

Three horses were scratched in the third event, leaving Tosti, owned by W. McLaughlin; Dr. Marks, owned by W. McLaughlin; and Lily B., owned by W. Steel, to compete for the Victoria purse, valued at \$300. The race was a 1/4 mile dash. This proved the best event on the programme. The horses got away well together, and raced neck and neck for the first half. Then Tosti took the lead, pressed closely by Dr. Marks. On the home stretch Dr. Marks came up with a wonderful dash and fought hard for first position, losing only by about half a neck. Time, 2:08.4.

The fourth event on the programme was that for the Grand Stand purse of \$200, a dash of eight furlongs, in which three horses entered as follows: Young Marlow, owned by I. W. McLaughlin; Barnadilla, by W. C. Marshall, and Jezebel, by B. Taylor. Jezebel and Barnadilla took the lead, and raced neck and neck for the first half mile, but from here on Young Marlow forged to the front and kept the lead to the finish, coming home several lengths in the lead. Jezebel came in second. Time, 1:49.

The funny race of the meet was the fifth and last on the programme, that for the Klatawa purse. Four Indians competed, there being one good looking horse, one pony, which balked repeatedly at the start; one that appeared to have been running loose on the reservation during the season up to the time it was brought to the height of its head like a camel. The procession going around the track created much amusement. Each horse had an aristocratic name, and the one called Frenchie took first honors. Tenny took second place and McChesney third.

The summary of the races is as follows: Pacing race, in heats, two in three—First heat—Solo, driver W. Millington; 2, Freak, driver unknown; 3, Baranade, driver Ed. McRae. Second heat—Solo; 2, Baranade. Freak distanced.

Flash purse, \$150, half-mile dash—1, L. W. McLaughlin's b. m. Beautiful Girl, age 7, weight 119 pounds, rider Moody; 2, C. H. Cottle's s. g. Madrone, aged, weight 119 pounds, rider Thad. Williams; 3, W. C. Marshall's b. h. Marfada, aged, weight 122 pounds, rider J. D. Clark. Miss F. McNeill's Dr. McLean and Capt. Donohue's Red Spinner left at the post. Time, 52.4 seconds.

Victoria purse, \$300, 1/4 mile dash—1, W. McLaughlin's g. Tosti, age 7, weight 121 pounds, rider Moody; 2, Capt. Donohue's b. g. Dr. Marks, aged, weight 121 pounds, rider J. Clarke; 3, W. Cottle's Lily B., age 3, weight 108 pounds, rider R. W. Herbert. Time, 2:08.4.

Grand Stand purse, \$200, eight furlongs—1, W. McLaughlin's b. g. Young Marlow, age 3, weight 169 pounds, rider Moody; 2, B. Taylor's b. h. Jezebel, age 6, weight 113 pounds, rider B. Taylor; 3, W. C. Marshall's b. h. Barnadilla, age 7, weight 113 pounds, rider Moran. Time, 1:49.

Klatawa purse, for Indian ponies—1, Marshall, on Perrenzi; 2, Antoine on Tenny; 3, George, on McChesney. Time, 2:17.

#### THE ART EXHIBIT

The Finest Collection Ever Shown in Exhibition Here.

One of the most striking features in the main building is the splendid art exhibit. It is not especially large, but

it is very select. Artists inform the Times that it is the finest collection ever shown in an exhibition in Victoria, and unsurpassed by any exhibit of its size anywhere. The very highest types of art—photographic and in oils and water colors—may be seen in this department. The principal exhibitors are the members of the Brush and Camera Club. Among the brush artists who have contributed are Miss Woodward, Mrs. MacLure, Mrs. Carmichael, Mrs. McGirr, Messrs. Mower Martin, Bamford, MacLure, Sharnagel and Tyler. All are represented by some of their choicest productions and afford an impressive illustration of the very high development of art in Victoria. Although oils and water colors form a considerable proportion of the exhibit, it is the collection of photographs which merits very warm praise. There is work shown in this department which it is safe to say cannot be eclipsed even in the metropolitan centres of this continent. Some of Mortimer Lamb's views, and the landscapes of F. G. Fowkes, of Messrs. Crease & Crease, are exceptionally fine. There is one view by Mr. Fowkes which has aroused the unstinted admiration of his colleagues and the general public. This is a scene showing a schooner in the Straits at evening. The artist waited for hours for this picture, and his patience and skill have been well rewarded, for he has produced a photographic landscape which has received flattering notices in Chicago, Philadelphia and other large cities. It has also been reproduced in several publications.

This part of the art exhibit is the work of amateurs and was not entered for competition. Of the brush artists but two are professionals, Mower Martin and Miss Woodward. The other professional photographers, Messrs. Wadda Bros., of Vancouver, Skene Lowe and Savannah, of this city, are splendidly represented.

The Baby Contest. Warm Competition—The Judges Had a Delicate and Difficult Task.

One of the great attractions yesterday afternoon, especially to the fair sex, was the baby show. This was held on the second floor of the main building

and needless to say, competition was close. There were two contests and each was entered by seven or eight children. The first competition was between babies under one year for a prize presented by Beaumont Boggs. Members of the executive of the B. C. Agricultural Association had the difficult task allotted to them of judging. After examining each competitor they retired and the decision was reached by ballot, resulting as follows:

Solid silver spoon, presented by Beaumont Boggs, Victoria, for prettiest girl baby under 1 year—Marjory Shepherd, 30 Michigan street, 10 months and 1 day.

Child's suit, presented by S. Reid & Co., Victoria, for best all round specimen of a boy from 2 to 7 years of age—Judson Rodgers, 55 Fernwood road, 4 years and 9 months.

This morning on the grounds an exhibition of potato digging by a mechanical device owned by John Meston was given before a number of interested spectators. The same demonstration is being repeated this afternoon.

Yesterday a Shorthorn bull owned by Jos. Tauboline, of New Westminster, won the special prize of \$25 offered for the best bull of any breed exhibited. This animal scored 93 out of a possible 100. A Jersey bull belonging to R. Grubbe, of Galiano Island, was second with 92 points. So close was the competition that it took the judges some time to decide upon which was entitled to first place.

A competition took place yesterday between several children for the prize offered by G. Bradley Dyne for best plover ridden and driven by boy or girl. This was won by Master Johnson.

#### HIGH CLASS PHOTOGRAPHY.

Fine Exhibit by Skene Lowe at the Exhibition—Some of the Features.

Skene Lowe, the well-known Government street photographer, has contributed many an exhibit to the art department of Victoria shows, but it can safely

be said that this year he has easily surpassed all previous efforts. In the superior character of the work and the artistic arrangement of the collection, he has considerably improved on the excellent standard established by him in the art gallery in the past. He has been enabled to accomplish this by adopting styles which are all the rage in the big Eastern cities. These include the new white mount finish, lending a charm and attractiveness to portraits which explain the popularity of this style. These are shown in Mr. Lowe's exhibit, consisting of a great variety of sizes, from the artist's proof in pure black and white effects to more brilliant platinum with silk texture. A special feature of this exhibit is the beautiful large portrait of a lady with Rembrandt lighting. The entire collection is a very creditable one, and a worthy factor in the general fine display of art.

Following are some additional prize winners:

#### NATURAL HISTORY DEPARTMENT.

Collection exhibit of native plants, etc. Lower Mainland, Vancouver Island and islands of the coast, limited to school and school children of the province—1, F. L. Kingston; 2, Elsie Gullis. Entomology, amateur exhibit, moths, etc.—1, A. Dearden; 2, L. F. Solly.

Following are additional prize winners:

#### WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

Collection of fancy work, professional, 1 person's work, 4 articles—Diploma, E. Mitchell, Nanaimo.

Hand-made lace, Battenburg—1, Mrs. Webster; 2, Mrs. R. Croft.

Hand-made lace, Point—1, Miss Emery; 2, Mrs. J. Herod.

Hand-made lace, Honiton—1, Mrs. J. Herod; 2, Miss L. Emery.

Applique work—1, Mrs. J. Herod; 2, R. J. Taylor.

Embroidery, Kensington—1, Mrs. J. Herod; 2, Mrs. B. Shaw.

Embroidery, silk—1, Mrs. J. Herod; 2, Mrs. S. Meekin.

Embroidery, Bulgarian—1, Mrs. B. Shaw; 2, Mrs. S. Meekin.

Monogrammed work—1, Miss M. E. Bone; 2, Mrs. S. Meekin.

Bolting cloth, embroidered—1, Mrs. J. Herod.

Drawn work, table cloth—1, Mrs. A. G. McCandless; 2, Mrs. A. W. Croft.

Drawn work, doilies, set—1, Mrs. J. Herod; 2, Mrs. T. W. Carter.

Netting, any article—1, R. J. Taylor; 2, Mrs. W. Noble.

Tasting—1, R. J. Taylor; 2, Mrs. W. Copeland.

Hemstitching—1, Mrs. J. Herod; 2, Mrs. Dr. Balé.

Fancy knitting, lace—1, Mrs. E. Howard; 2, Mrs. D. Moffat.

Fancy, large, lace—1, Mrs. Hanson; 2, Mrs. Herod.

Pyrography, wood—1, Mrs. Copeland; 2, Miss L. Renick.

Pyrography, leather—1, Mrs. Sully; 2, Mrs. H. V. Wilkinson.

Venetian or bent iron work—1, H. P. Johnston.

Toilet set, stand table cover—1, Mrs. R. Croft.

Photo frame, embroidered—1, Mrs. E. Lewis; 2, M. E. Bone.

Centrepiece, worked—1, Mrs. M. L. Moody; 2, Mrs. E. A. Lewis.

Dinner table mats—1, Mrs. A. C. Purvis; 2, L. Markham.

Six desert doilies, worked—1, Mrs. B. Shaw; 2, Mrs. S. Meekin.

Six desert doilies, handpainted—1, Mrs. R. Croft.

Rug for baby carriage—1, Mrs. J. Shaw, knitted or crocheted—1, Mrs. E. Lewis; 2, Mrs. Housen.

Pin cushion—1, Mrs. J. Herod.

Worked handkerchief or glove case—1, Mrs. J. Herod.

Soft cushion—1, Mrs. Solly; 2, A. C. Purvis.

Tea cosy—1, Mrs. B. Shaw; 2, Mrs. Parsell.

Hand bag—1, Mrs. M. L. Wilkins; 2, Mrs. Solly.

Lamp shade—1, Mary Lawson.

Drawing room screen—1, H. P. Johnston; 2, Mrs. Leonard.

Rag mats—1, Mrs. Dr. Ball.

Upholstered work, home-made—1, J. McTerry.

Button holes, linen—1, Miss M. Mitchell; 2, Mrs. Dr. Ball.

Bedroom slippers—1, A. C. Purvis; 2, R. Lawson.

Mittens, knitted—1, Mrs. T. W. Carter; 2, Miss J. Cameron.

Gloves, knitted—1, Miss Maitland-Dougal; 2, Mable Anbin.

Bicycle stockings—1, Miss Maitland-Dougal.

Plain knitted stockings—1, Mrs. Solly; 2, Miss Maitland-Dougal.

Darned stocking or socks—1, Mrs. J. Herod; 2, Miss M. Mitchell.

Infant's shirt—1, Miss M. Aubin; 2, Mrs. E. Hobbs.

Child's skirt, knitted, or crocheted—1, M. Aubin; 2, Mrs. G. W. Carter.

Child's dress, summer—1, Mrs. B. M. Hall; 2, Mrs. J. Whitton.

Set baby clothes (hand made)—1, Mrs. Dr. Ball.

Girls Under 16.

Cotton underwear, hand-made, 2 garments—1, Cora John; 2, Edie Bonnell.

Hemstitched handkerchief—1, Edie Bonnell.

Darned socks or stockings—1, A. Acton.

Crocheted lace, cotton—1, M. Page.

Drawn work, one article—O. Gowan.

Silk embroidery on linen—1, V. Bonnell; 2, H. Petherick.

Outline work—1, V. Bonnell; 2, M. Page.

Best dressed doll—1, H. Petherick.

Girls Under 12.

Darned stocking or sock—1, Ella John, Hemmed handkerchief—1, Kate Burrell.

Best dressed doll—1, L. Carter.

Outline work—1, L. Thomas; 2, B. Bonnell.

Kettle or iron holder—1, L. Thomas.

Cookery (Non Professional).

Bread, 2 loaves, white—1, Mrs. Bendrodt; 2, Mrs. R. Tennant.

Bread, 2 loaves, brown or whole wheat—1, J. M. Terry; 2, Mrs. R. Tennant.

Bread, 2 loaves, Boston brown—1, Mrs. McKay; 2, Mrs. Rosie.

Dinner or bread rolls—1, Mrs. E. Hobbs; 2, Mrs. J. H. Rodgers.

Plain biscuits—1, Mrs. J. Townsley; 2, Mrs. Bossi.

Scotch shortbread—1, Mrs. J. Maynard; 2, Mrs. C. Corbett.

Cookies—1, Mrs. W. Laurison; 2, Mrs. Dr. Ball.



PLAYER'S CHALLENGE CUP.

This cup, value \$100, was presented by John Player & Son, Navy Cut Tobacco Manufacturers, Nottingham, England, through Turner, Beeton & Co., Ltd., agents for British Columbia, Northwest Territories and Yukon, for tug-of-war, open to army and navy auxiliary forces and representative teams from any town or district in British Columbia. It has to be won twice in succession by teams representing body or place. It was won in 1902 by the Royal Garrison Artillery. Last night the Fifth Regiment defeated the navy and to-night the former will meet the R. G. A.

Cake, round—1, Mrs. J. B. Abbey; 2, Mrs. McCullum.

Cake, layer—1, Mrs. McCullum; 2, M. E. Bone.

Cake, sponge—Mrs. Bendrodt; 2, Mrs. Dr. Ball.

Cake, fruit—Mrs. McMicking; 2, Mrs. E. J. Bassett.

Mince pie—1, Mrs. J. B. Abbey; 2, Mrs. Bowness.

Fruit pie—1, Miss M. Becker; 2, Mrs. Maynard.

Meat pie—1, Mrs. J. B. Abbey.

Assortment of canned or bottled fruits—1, Mrs. J. G. McKay; 2, Muriel Rye.

Marmalade—1, Miss A. Fraser; 2, Mrs. W. C.

Meat jellies—1, Mrs. McMicking.

Chicken jelly—1, Mrs. McMicking.

Three boiled potatoes—1, Mrs. J. G. Hay.

Beef tea—1, Mrs. McMicking; 2, Mrs. McKay.

Sweet pickles—1, Mrs. Hodgson; 2, Mrs. McMicking.

Assortment of pickles, at least 5 kinds—1, Mrs. McMicking; 2, Mrs. Dr. Ball.

Assortment of jams, at least 3 kinds—1, Mrs. McMicking; 2, Mrs. Bassett.

Assortment of jellies, at least 3 kinds—1, Mrs. McMicking; 2, Miss A. Fraser.

Special.

Loaf of bread made by girl under 16, 85, presented by Dr. Lewis Hall—Miss W. P. Stubbs.

For best loaf of bread baked in M. Clary stove or range, 50 lbs. Japanned flour box, presented by Messrs. Clarke & Pearson—C. Stevens.

For best loaf of home-made bread from Ogdie's flour, by any lady non-professional, presented by the Ogdie Milling Co.—1, \$25, C. Corbett; 2, \$15, Mrs. G. Johnson; 3, \$10, Mrs. J. Cox.

For best Scotch oatmeal cakes from B. & K. fine oatmeal, \$2.50, presented by Brackman & Ker Milling Co., Victoria—Mrs. John Campbell.

For best dozen cookies from B. & K. fine oatmeal, \$2.50, presented by Brackman & Ker Milling Co., Victoria—Mrs. A. E. Johnson.

For best exhibit of preserved fruit, amateur only, presented by R. P. Rittet, Victoria, Quick Bros.

For best exhibit of Buff Orpington, presented by T. I. Worthington, Victoria, Quick Bros.

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Kropp razor, value \$2, for best pair Plymouth Rocks, presented by Fishon & Leinfesty, Victoria, Quick Bros.

Semi-Weekly Colonist for one year for best dressed broiler, presented by Colonist Printing & Publishing Co., B. B. Moore.

One Christie hat for best dressed fowl other than broiler, presented by Messrs. B. Williams & Co., Victoria—1, Mrs. Turner; 2, B. B. Moore.

Turkeys, Geese and Ducks.

Turkey, bronze, male—1, E. J. Henderson.

Turkey, bronze, female—1, E. J. Henderson.

Turkey, white, male—1, E. J. Henderson.

Turkey, white, female—1, E. J. Henderson.

Gander, Embden—1 and 2, E. J. Henderson.

Goose, Embden—1 and 2, E. J. Henderson.

Gander, Toulouse—1 and 2, W. Walker.

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Duck, Rouen, male—1, E. J. Henderson.

Duck, Rouen, female—1, E. J. Henderson.

Duck, Aylesbury, male—1, E. J. Henderson