man; 2nd, J. A. Stewart, Southport. Hawthornden, 1st, Sadie Jones, Pownal; 2nd, George Jones, Pownal. Quarrenden, 1st, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, Mrs. John Drake, Brookfield. Fameuse or Snow Apple, 1st, John Robertson, North River; 2nd, J. B. Dickieson, New Glasgow. Swaar, 1st, John Robertson, North River; 2nd, John Robertson, Inkerman. English Pippin, 1st, Mrs. D. Ferguson, city; 2nd, John Robertson, Inkerman. Native Seedling, 1st, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, John Burke, Lot 49. Any other variety, 1st, C. C. McNeill, Rustico; 2nd, George H. Stewart, Southport.

CRAB APPLES.

Transcendent, 1st, J. A. Gill, Little York; 2nd, F. R. Beer, city. Golden, Mrs. D. K. Scott, North River; 2nd, John Smith, do. Hyslop, 1st, John Robertson, Inkerman; 2nd, Jessie A. Stewart, Southport. Siberian, 1st, Mrs. Burnett, St. Peter's Road; 2nd, Mrs. David Shaw, Brackley Point. Queen's Choice, 1st, Lannie McLeod, St. Peter's Road; 2nd, D. McEachern, Lot 48. Bald's Winter, 1st, J. A. Gill, Little York; 2nd, Joseph Moorside, North River.

PLUMS.

Yellow Magnum Bonum, William Heard, city. Belle Lucrative, F. Brown, city. Bartlett, F. Brown, city. Louise Bonne de Jersey, 1st, B. F. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, F. Brown, city. Any other variety, 1st, Wm Cairns, St. Peter's Road; 2nd, J D Mason, city.

GRAPES.

2 bunches white or green indoors, 1st, C A Hyndman, Brightou; 2nd, Richard Huddy, city. 2 bunches black, indoors, Wm Heard. 2 do, do, outdoors, A McKinnon, Royalty; 2nd, S F Drake, Pownal; 3rd F B McRae, do. Blue or purple, 1st, Mrs Earle, city; 2nd, Bertie Nicholson, do. Damsons, 1st, J B Dickieson, New Glasgow; 2nd, Bessie Burrows, Royalty. Native Seedling Plums, 1st, Clara Alexander, Stanhope; 2nd, Ethel Mason, city.

PEARS.

Collection of not less than 4 sorts, 5 of each sort. 1st, F Brown, city; 2nd, B E Wright, Royalty. 5 Flemish Beauty, 1st, H R Beer, city; 2nd, F Brown, do.

WOOLEN AND FLAX GOODS

10 yds black cloth, all wool, full dressed, hand made, 1st, Peter McMillan, Roseneath Mills; 2nd, D Munn, do; 3rd, N Clark, Grand River. 10 yds grey cloth, all wool, full dressed, hand made, 1st, D Munn, Roseneath Mills; 2nd, Mrs J H McNeill, New Perth; 3rd, Mrs W J Thompson, St. Peter's Road. Gentlemen's plaid, home made, 1st, Miss Weatherby, Village Green; 2nd Jane A Wright, Middleton. Women's shawl, home made, 1st, Jane A Wright, Middleton; 2nd, Mrs A Munn, city. Pair Horse Rugs, 1st, Chris Stewart, Brackley Point road; 2nd, Mrs Wm McGrath, Millvale. Piece fancy drugget, striped, home made, 1st, Mrs John McNeill, New Perth; 2nd, Mrs H Drake, Pownal. Piece fancy drugget, checked or plaid, home made, 1st, E McLean, Rollo Bay; 2nd, do, do, do. Railway rug, home made, 1st, Chris Stewart, Brackley Point Road; 2nd, R Rodd, do. Pair door mats, 1st, Miss Mary Younker, —; 2nd, K Rodd, Brackley Point Road. 10 yds twilled flannel, all wool, home made, 1st, Charles Dockendorff, North River; 2nd, Robert Jones, Lot 49; 3rd Jas A Dockendorff, North River. Entire Carriage Colt under 3 years, Island bred, 1st, T. A McLean, city; 2nd, Robert Martin, Bay View; 3rd, Jas Byrne, North River. Entire Carriage Colt under 2 years, Island bred, 1st, R. B. McMillan, Brackley Point Road; 2nd, W. D. Clarke, Cavendish; 3rd, Henry Horne, Winsloe Road. Carriage Mare with her foal, Island bred, 1st, Jos Kennedy, Brackley Point Road; 2nd, R. B. McMillan, do; 3rd, Daniel McLean, Clyde River. Carriage filly under 4 years, Island bred, 1st, David McEwen, West River; 2nd, John Richards, Bideford; 3rd, Mrs. Dingwell, Morell. Carriage filly under 3 years, Island bred, 1st, Wm M. Leard, Cavendish; 2nd, Deacon Balderston, North Wiltshire; John J. McEachern, West St. Peters. Carriage filly under 2 years, Island bred, 1st, Benjamin Dockendorff, North River; 2nd, H. Longworth, Glynwood; 3rd, John Stanlake, city. Carriage foal, Island bred, 1st, Allen McPhee, North River; 2nd, Charles Dockendorff, do; Jas Simpson, Hope River. Cart Stallion, Island bred, 1st, John Stewart, city; 2nd, Michael Steele, Scotchfort; 3rd, Jas McMillan, Summerville. Entire Cart Colt under 4 years, Island bred, 1st, J J Trainor, city; 2nd, McLean Bros, North Wiltshire; 3rd, J. Fred Seaman, Suffolk. Entire cart colt under 3 years, Island bred, 1st, John Horne, Winsloe Road; 2nd, Wm Smith, Eldon; 3rd, W. H. Enman, DeSable. Entire cart colt under 2 years, Island bred, 1st, Morris Wright, Bedeque; 2nd, Duncan McLean, Long Creek; 3rd, Owen Sullivan, Vernon River Bridge. Cart Mare with her foal, 1st, St. Dunstan's College; 2nd, A. D. Calbeck, Tryon; 3rd, John Robertson, North River. Cart filly under 4 years, 1st, Richard Stockman, North River; 2nd, John Walker, Royalty; 3rd, John Robertson, North River. Mare for general purposes under 3 years, 1st, James McMillan, Brackley Point Road; 2nd, Edward Carey, Royalty; 3rd, Michael Cullen, North Wiltshire. Cart filly under 3 years, 1st, Artemas Howatt, Tryon; 2nd, John Fitzpatrick, city; 3rd, John McWilliams, Royalty. Cart filly under 2 years, 1st, H. McLeod, Dunstaffnage; 2nd, Jos Clarke, North Wiltshire; 3rd, Alexander Scott, Brackley Point Road. Cart foal, 1st, A. D Calbeck, Tryon; 2nd, Wm McGrath, Mill Cove; 3rd, Wm McIntyre, do.

CATTLE.

PURE BRED SHORT HORNS.

Bull, any age, 1st, Edward Kelly, Lot 48; 2nd, Henry Lane, Lot 49. Bull, calved in 1887, 1st, Albert Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, Jos Wise, North Milton. Bull calf, calved in 1889, 1st, B. F. Longworth, Royalty; 2nd, D. Ferguson, East River; 3rd, H. Longworth, Glynwood. Cow, in milk, 1st, B. F. Longworth, Royalty; 2nd, H. Longworth, Glynwood. Cow, calved in 1887, in calf or milk, 1st, H. Longworth, Glynwood; 2nd, F. E. Boyyer, Georgetown. Heifer, calved in 1888, 1st, B. F. Longworth, Royalty; 2nd, do; 3rd, D. Ferguson, East River. Heifer calf, calved in 1889, 1st, D. Ferguson, East River; 2nd, do.

PURE BRED AYRSHIRE.

Bull, any age, 1st, Jacob Judson, Lot 49; 2nd, Stephen Haslam, Springfield; 3rd, Robert Thompson, Suffolk Road. Bull, calved in 1887, 1st, John A. Ferguson, East River; 2nd, David McEwen, East River; 3rd, A. W. Stewart, Cavendish. Bull, calved in 1888, 1st, J. Smith, Rocky Point. Bull, calved in 1889, 1st, D. Ferguson, East River; 2nd, H. Longworth, Glynwood; 3rd, do. Cow, in milk, 1st, H. Longworth, Glynwood; 2nd, A. Robertson, East River; 3rd, D. Ferguson, city. Heifer, calved in 1887, 1st, D. Ferguson, city; 2nd, F. E. Boyyer, Georgetown; 3rd, do, do. Heifer, calved in 1888, 1st, D. Ferguson, city; 2nd, H. Longworth, Glynwood; 3rd, Wallace Rodd, Brackley Point Road. Heifer calf, calved in 1889, 1st, D. Ferguson, city; 2nd, A. Robertson, East River; 3rd, F. E. Boyyer, Georgetown.

PURE BRED JERSEYS OR GUERNSEYS.

Bull, any age, 1st, Wm Owen, Keppoch; 2nd, T. A. McLean, city; 3rd, John H. Gill, Little York. Bull, calved in 1888, E. R. Brow, city. Bull calf, calved in 1889, T. A. McLean, city. Cow, in milk 1st, Hon. T. H. Haviland, city; 2nd, Wm Owen, Keppoch; 3rd, T. A. McLean, city. Heifer, calved in 1887, Wm Owen, Keppoch. Heifer, calved in 1888, 1st, Hon. T. H. Haviland, city; 2nd, E. R. Brow, city; 3rd, John A. Longworth, city. Heifer calf, calved in 1889, E. R. Brow, city; 2nd, do, do; 3rd, do, do.

SHORT HORN OR HOLSTEIN GRADES.

Cow in milk, any age, 1st, H. McKinnon, Highfield; 2nd, Wm J. Palmer, Royalty; 3rd, B. E. Wright, do. Heifer, calved in 1887, in calf or milk, 1st, Albert Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 3rd, Wm H. Fraser, city. Heifer, calved in 1888, 1st, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, H. Longworth, Glynwood; 3rd, B. E. Wright, Royalty. Heifer calf, calved in 1889, 1st, Albert Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 3rd, Albert Boswell, Lot 49.

AYRSHIRE, JERSEY OR GUERNSEY GRADES.

Cow in milk, any age, 1st, Jacob Judson, Lot 49; 2nd, Wm Adams, city. Heifer, calved in 1887, 1st, A. Robertson, East River; 2nd, W. Henry, city. Heifer, calved in 1888, 1st, D. McKenzie, Royalty; 2nd, Hon. T. H. Haviland, city; 3rd, Dr. Beer, do. Heifer calf, calved in 1889, 1st, D. Irving, Vernon River; 2nd, D. McKenzie, Royalty.

Judges—James Dorsey, George Compton, John Nichols, Charles Mutch, John C. Clarke.

SHEEP.

PURE BRED LEICESTERS.

Ram, any age, 1st, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, George Tweedy, North River; 3rd, H. Longworth, Glynwood. Ram, yearling, 1st, Henry E. Lane, Lot 49; 2nd, A. Boswell, do, 3rd, F. T. Boyyer, Geo'town. Ram Lamb, 1st, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, H. Lane, do; 3rd, A. Boswell, do. Pair Ewes, any age, having each reared a lamb this season, 1st, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, do; 3rd, H. Lane, do. Pair Ewes, yearling, 1st, H. Longworth, Glynwood; 2nd, H. Lane, Lot 49; 3rd, A. Boswell, do. Pair Ewe Lambs, 1st, Wm Clarke, North Wiltshire; 2nd, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 3rd, do.

PURE BRED DOWNS.

Ram, any age, 1st, George J. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, B. E. Wright, do; 3rd, D. Ferguson, East River. Ram, yearling, 1st, D. Ferguson, East River; 2nd, D. Irving, Vernon River; 3rd, D. Ferguson, East River. Ram Lamb, 1st, H. Longworth, Glynwood; 2nd, D. Ferguson, East River; 3rd, B. E. Wright, Royalty. Pair Ewes, having each reared a lamb this season, 1st, D. Ferguson, East River; 2nd, do. Pair Ewes, yearling, 1st, D. Ferguson, East River; 2nd, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 3rd, D. Ferguson, East River. Pair Ewe Lambs, 1st, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, Geo J. Wright, Royalty; 3rd, B. E. Wright, do.

PURE BRED COTSWOLD.

Ram, any age, 1st, John Watts, North Wiltshire; 2nd, J. Balderston, do; 3rd, F. E. Boyyer, Georgetown.

Judges—George Mason, Francis Bell, D. H. Macdonald, Patrick Duffy.

LONG WOOL GRADES.

Pair Ewes, any age, having each reared a lamb this season, 1st, John Dickieson, Charlottetown Common; 2nd, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 3rd, D. Irving, Vernon River. Pair Ewes, yearling, 1st, W. Clarke, North Wiltshire; 2nd, D. Irving, Vernon River; 3rd, F. E. Boyyer, Georgetown. Ram Lamb, 1st, W. Rattray, Brackley Point Road; 2nd, A. Boswell, Lot 49. Pair Ewe Lambs, 1st, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, W. Clarke, North Wiltshire.

SHORT OR MEDIUM WOOL GRADES.

Best 2 Ewes, any age, having each reared a lamb this season, 1st, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, F. L. Hazzard, Bellevue; 3rd, H. Longworth, Glynwood. Two yearling Ewes, 1st, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, do. Ram Lamb, 1st, Cephas Nunn, Winsloe Road; 2nd, H. Smith, do; 3rd, W. Clarke, North Wiltshire. Pair Ewe Lambs, 1st, W. Rattray, Brackley Point Road; 2nd, Geo J. Wright, Royalty; 3rd, F. L. Hazzard, Bellevue.

Judges—Wm Andrews, Thomas Vessey, Jos Tweedy.

PIGS.

Boar, any age, Berkshire, 1st, W. J. Palmer, city; 2nd, E. R. Brow, Royalty. Sow, Berkshire, having reared a litter in 1889, 1st, L. Beer, city; 2nd, J. D. Seaman, do; 3rd, E. R. Brow, Royalty. Boar, any age and other breed, 1st, John Horne, Winsloe Road; 2nd, A. F. Drake, Pownal,; 3rd, Geo Crockett, Little York. Sow, any age and other breed, having reared a litter in 1889, 1st, Dugald Currie, Fairview; 2nd, Joshua Westcott, North Milton; 3rd, D. Ferguson, East River. Pair Pigs, Berkshire, under 7 months old, barrows excluded, 1st, Jos Pratt, Pownal; 2nd, T. A. McLean, city; 3rd, do, do. Pair Pigs, Yorkshire, under 7 months old, barrows excluded, 1st, F. Gates, West Royalty; 2nd, D. Ferguson, East River; 3rd, do, do. Pair Pigs, other breed or color, under 7 months old, barrows excluded, 1st, R. P. Lank, Covehead; 2nd, R. P. Wright, Royalty.

Judges—R. E. Bagnall, David Rogers, J. J. Currie, Wm Clarke.

POULTRY.

Three Dorkings, 1st, Mrs. J. Lewis, Common; 2nd, George Lewis, Common. Three Brahmas, light, 1st, Geo Tweedy, city; 2nd, Wm Tweedy, city. Three Cochins, white or colored, 1st, Joseph Wheatley, city. Three Hamburgs, silver or golden pencilled, 1st, Mrs. D. Irving, Vernon River Bridge; 2nd, Geo Tweedy, North River. Three Hamburg, spangled, Charles Newson, city; 2nd, Wm. Tweedy, city. Three Leghorns, white, 2nd, Mrs. D. Irving, Vernon River Bridge. Three Leghorns, brown, 1st, Wm Rattray, Brackley Point Road; 2nd, B. E. Wright, Royalty. Three Houdans, 1st, John Lewis, West Royalty. Three Polands, 1st, Jas Stewart, St. Peter's Road; 2nd, Jas Stewart, do. Three Langshans, 1st, Wm Gregory, Royalty; 2nd, Gerald McLean, city. Three Plymouth Rock, 1st, Sidney Holbkirk, city; 2nd, Wm Clarke, North Wiltshire. Three Black Spanish, 1st, B. E. Wright, Royalty; 2nd, B. E. Wright, do. Three Wyandottes, 1st, Geo Lewis, West Royalty; 2nd, Geo Lewis, do. Three Bantams, 1st, A. McKinnon, Royalty; 2nd, Alex Essory, Royalty. Three Birds, any breed, being one year old or more, 1st, Ewen Cameron, city; 2nd, Geo Tweedy, city. Three Guinea fowl, 1st, W. J. Kennedy, Lot 48; 2nd, W. J. Kennedy, do. Pair bronze turkeys, hatched in 1889, 1st, A Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, A. Boswell, do. Pair white turkeys, hatched in 1889, 1st, A. Boswell, Lot 49. Pair turkeys, any other breed, hatched in 1889, 1st, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, G. J. Wright, Royalty. Pair turkeys, any breed, over one year, 1st, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, J. D. McKinnon, Highfield. Pair Geese, common, hatched in 1889, 1st, W. Macdonald, East Royalty; 2nd, Mrs. J. Ready, Covehead Road. Pair Geese, Toulouse, hatched in 1889, 1st, A. McKinnon, Royalty; 2nd, A. Boswell, Lot 49. Pair Geese, Chinese, 1st, A. Boswell, Lot 49; 2nd, A. Boswell, do. Pair Ducks, Pekin, 1st, David Ingles, city.

Judges—S. R. Black, Wm Owen.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Collection native insects,—Robert Cameron, West Royalty.

Scroll Sawing,—John Strain, city.

Collection Basket Work, osier,—S. P. Macdonald, Montague.

Collection Indian Baskets,—1st, Mrs. Nicholas, Rocky Point; 2nd, Mrs. Thomas, Montague.

Honorable mention,—five inlaid tables, exhibited by Jos Perry.

Quart codfish oil,—1st, Richard W. Jordon, Murray Harbor; 2nd, Benjamin Jordon, do.

Judges—Philip Edwin Darby, George F. Owen.

ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

THE GLACIER HOTEL, Selkirk Mountains, Sept. 20.—Stayed a few days at Vancouver, sketching the big trees of Stanley Park, the beautiful inlet with its islands and mountain-backed shores, also rambled considerably through the adjacent forest and inspected the efforts of the settlers on the different roads, made by the municipalities. I was much puzzled to find that comparatively little land is at present being cleared and cultivated when its capabilities are considered. In fact when we remember the climate, the good market for all products and the comparatively low cost of the land to the settler, one would naturally expect to see a great rush for it by emigrants, especially in view of such crazes as the Oklahoma boom. Such is not the case, however, although there is a steadily increasing influx of settlers going on, and there can be no reasonable doubt as to their ultimate success and profit. One often hears the question. "What is going to keep up Vancouver? It has no country behind it." This is a great mistake. There is no more promising region for agriculture in the world than that which will eventually pay tribute to this "Terminal City." The Fraser delta, with its immense meadows, its forest flats and sloping uplands, with the sheltering mountain ranges beyond, forming a plain nearly 90 miles long, and varying from 100 to one mile wide, having as yet but little cultivation and capable of such rich yields of fruit, grain meat and other wealth. Then, further up the line of railway, after leaving the Fraser canyon, is the broad valley of the Thompson river, with its ranches and the rapidly growing town of Kamloops, to say nothing of the many branching valleys to the north and south. Even Vancouver Island will be sure to contribute its share of support to Vancouver city, when, as it is rapidly doing, the town becomes the overshadowing metropolis of the Province, and, while Victoria must still grow, and, indeed, will benefit by the rise of its rival in many ways, there is no doubt but, as a centre of resorts, the great seaport will derive much commerce from the island itself. The town of Nanaimo with its four of five thousand inhabitants, rapidly being added to, the rich farming lands adjacent and to the north are really within easy reach of Vancouver, and, as improved steamboat lines will certainly soon be at command, the people will be sure to find their way to the mainland capital for business and pleasure. Still, it would be well if more efficient means were taken to facilitate and encourge the settlement and clearing of the forest lands, which, though here and there heavily timbered, are not, all things considered, more difficult to subdue than those of the older provinces. Indeed, the climate considered, the advantages are rather on British Columbia's side. The foregoing, too, takes no account of the great mineral wealth of the country. Prices and cost of living are at present high, but that is, perhaps rather an advantage. The contemptuous, however, of the whole trading community for coppers and five-cent coinage, while indicating a state of prosperity, seems to the writer to be founded on a false basis. It is really a petty trick, chiefly on the part of liquor vendors, to extort a few extra cents from the public, and contemptible accordingly. The sail from Vancouver to Victoria in the fine steamship Islander was surpassingly beautiful. I know of nothing to compare with it. The Georgian Bay or Thousand Island scenery certainly fall far behind it. The maritime portion of this saltwater trip with its lovely islands varied with pasture, rock and forest, and its grand distant mountain backgrounds, baffles description by pen or pencil. The scenery of the island itself is something very different from American landscape generally, and affords new sensations to the lover of the picturesque. The weather of late has been wonderfully fine, though now we are having snatches of rain and sunshine interspersed, terribly tantalizing to the painter, both from the unattainable beauty of the effects so rapidly passing, as well as their great difficulty of representation. At present Mr. Bell Smith is the only other Canadian artist here, though Mr. T. M Martin is at present on his way homeward. We have, however, the distinguished companionship of the great American landscape painter, Mr. Bierstadt, whose presence is quite a boon both artistically and socially. He expresses himself as delighted with our scenery, and shows a wonderful energy in seizing every opportunity for studying it. His sketches, too, made on the Alaska trip are very interesting and unique. He had the good luck to escape scot free from the wreck of the steamer Ancon. Hoping that we may revive some interest in this account by the exhibition of our pictures during the coming season, and that they may not prove disappointing, I am, *M. Matheus. R. C. A., in the Empire.*

The Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company has pleasure in announcing two new appointments to its agency staff on the Island, in Mr. Donald McKenzie, of Charlottetown, for Queen's, and Mr. Samuel B. McCallum, Head St. Peter's Bay, for King's. Mr. A. F. McLean, Brae, Lot 9, is agent for Prince. Parties desiring either Life or Accident Insurance would do well to consult either before insuring elsewhere. Manager of agencies in Maritime Provinces, J. B. Paton, Halifax, N. S. Headquarters Toronto. President Rt. Hon. Sir John A Macdonald.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THE HERALD

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1889.

ALL matter for publication in the HERALD should be in this office by noon on Tuesday. Persons wishing their advertisements changed *must* advise us Saturday forenoon.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

As the year of most of our subscribers ends about this time, we beg to call their attention to the advantage of paying now, as they will be granted receipts up to the 31st December next, or, in the case of those who pay in advance, up to the end of 1890; thus receiving the paper for the balance of this year free.

As we are desirous of affording our subscribers every facility for paying subscriptions, we have made arrangements by which they will be called upon in the undermentioned places as follows, other announcements will be made from time to time:

Subscribers at Morell, Morell Rear, St Peter's and neighboring districts will, within the next few days, be called upon by Mr. John T. O'Brien; our friends in Souris and vicinities, as well as in the portions of King's County, East of Souris, will be called upon by a well known representative of the HERALD. A representative of this office will visit our subscribers in Summerside and neighboring districts within the next few days. Our city subscribers will also shortly be called upon.

We trust our friends in these different places will be prepared to do business with our representatives with as little delay as possible. As it may sometimes happen that the master of the house may be absent when our agent calls, we would consider it a great favor if matters would be so arranged that those at home could do the business, so that he would not be obliged to call a second time. We trust, now, that in all places those who travel in the interests of the HERALD will receive a cordial welcome from our friends.

FARM MORTGAGES IN THE WEST.

THOUGH Canadian farmers are told of the greater prosperity of their fellows across the line, and of the urgent need of reciprocity, the reports of deserted farms, of wholesale foreclosing of mortgages and of actual distress among the farmers of the West are becoming more and more frequent. The latest in this line is from Kansas, being the failure of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company of that State This Company had loaned about three million dollars on farm security in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado and Dakota, and the immediate cause of the failure was the inability to pay a debt of about three hundred thousand dollars, and only one thousand in the treasury. The properties upon which the money of the company has been loaned may have been good security some years ago, but an investigation shows that much of it is now worthless. Many of the borrowers have left their places, and the buildings are deserted and in ruins. This is now a common story from the West. When high prices prevailed the settlers on the virgin soil prospered. But the prices of farm products in the West have shrunk below the paying point, and as fast as the virgin soil is robbed of its wealth, the settlers are forced to leave. With oats at twenty cents per bushel, other grains in proportion, and ranch beeves weighing twelve hundred pounds marketed at eighteen dollars per head, it does not pay to keep the soil up. In the face of facts like these how silly it is to tell Canadian farmers that reciprocity with the United States is the one thing needed to make them prosperous and happy. —*Moncton Times.*

PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

As may be noticed, a great portion of our space this week is taken up with the prize list and other matters in connection with the Provincial Exhibition, held in this city on the 2nd and 3rd inst. Taken altogether, the Exhibition was first-class, surpassing, in many respects, that of any former year.

In the course of his reply to the address, presented to him by the Exhibition Commissioners, His Honor the Lieutenant Governor referred to the excellence of the County Exhibitions, and the good conduct of the people attending them. He considered that no less than four thousand persons were present on the Exhibition grounds at Georgetown, and, out of all that number, he thought there were not more than ten or twelve who forgot themselves The conduct at the Summerside Exhibition also was excellent. Such order and conduct at gatherings of this kind are in the highest degree commendable.

The exhibition within the drill shed was not so large as we have seen there; but the exhibits were of a high order, and were arranged with a good deal of taste. The first thing that attracted the attention of the visitor as he entered was the exhibition of fruit, displayed on a table extending across the building, in front of the main entrance. The show of apples was really magnificent, and should set at rest any doubt as to this Province's capability for producing this fruit. About three hundred different samples were shown, and the judges must have found themselves puzzled in awarding the prizes. The exhibits of pears, plums and grapes were also highly creditable. After this, down along the building came the tables on which were displayed the flowers, fine arts, textile fabrics, etc

The grain exhibit was scarcely as large as on some former years, and in the case of the wheat the weight fell some pounds short of that shown at Georgetown. The potatoes were excellent, but the other tubers, we fancied, were not so large as some we have seen there.

The horse and cattle show was, without any doubt, much ahead of that of any former year. There were two hundred and six entries of horses, exclusive of foals. These latter would probably bring the number up to two hundred and fifty. The largest exhibitors of horses were the Messrs Dockendorff, of North River, who showed no less than seventeen, and captured several prizes, as will be seen by reference to the list.

Among the cattle, the herd of pure bred Galloways shown by Hon. D. Ferguson attracted much attention. They consisted of four cows, four calves and a bull, all jet black and hornless. There was, of course, no class in which they could enter to compete for prizes. Mr. Brow's herd was also much admired. There was a large show of agricultural implements of different kinds.

Among those exhibits deserving of mention were the samples of inlaid work shown by Mr. Joseph Perry, of this city; the buggy tops, seats and suitings shown by Messrs. Norton & Fennell; the soap from the factory of Beer & Sons, and the handsome handmade boots and shoes exhibited by Mr. J. H. Bell.

The most interesting feature in connection with the show was the horse parade, which took place on Thursday forenoon. The different classes were separately brought into the ring and paraded before the assembled multitude, and many were the expressions of admiration heard while those noble, symmetrical and spirited animals pranced on the green sward. After the evidence here given, no one could leave those grounds with any other than the highest opinion of Prince Edward Island as a horse raising Province.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE re-ballots in France on Sunday resulted in the return of about 120 Republicans, in a total of 183. The Boulangists are deserting his standard and now style themselves Revisionists.

THE Cambria Iron Works at Johnstown will have a new steel mill ready by January and will then turn out 1000 tons of steel rails a day. Pretty good business from a town that was completely destroyed.

INFORMATION has been received at the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, that Asiatic cholera is epidemic in Turkey, Greece, and some ports of Hungary, and that the disease is working its way towards central Europe.

THE Convention of the American Institute of Mining Engineers opened at Ottawa on the 1st inst. Sheriff Sweetland, chairman of the local reception committee, presided. Sir John Macdonald was present and in a very pleasant speech welcomed the visitors.

THE *Farmer's Review* of Chicago reports that the potato crop of 1889 will probably exceed that of any previous year in the United States. The acreage is less than last year. The total crop is estimated at 233,700,000 bushels, which exceeds last year's crop by over 17,000,000 bushels.

THE Fishery Commission who were sent some months ago to Europe by the Dominion Government to enquire into the state of the herring fisheries have concluded their labors and return to Canada by the steamship Sardinian, which left Liverpool on 3rd October. They visited England, Scotland and Ireland during their tour of investigation.

THE International Congress opened at Washington on the 2nd inst., and elected James G. Blaine president and appointed some committees. The Congress then accepted an invitation for an excursion through the country at the expense of the United States and adjourned till Nov. 18th. The delegates then attended a reception and were lunched at the White House by the President and Mrs. Harrison.

A SPECIAL cable to a Toronto morning paper, dated London, Oct., 4th, says: "Mr. Shaughnessey, assistant general manager of the Canada Pacific railway, states that the company has just closed a contract with the Barrow ship building company for three steamers of six thousand tons each for the Pacific service to be delivered within a year. Regarding the Atlantic service the company has not yet decided whether to run the service itself or transfer it to a new company.

THE court of inquiry into the recent disaster to H. M. S. Lily, by which the ship became a total loss and seven of her crew were drowned, at Point Armour, coast of Labrador, concluded its sitting at Halifax on the 3rd inst. From the evidence adduced, the court found that the captain (Russell) and the 1st lieutenant (Hewitt) were to blame, and they were reprimanded and dismissed from their ship. The meaning of this is that had not the ship become a total wreck, the judgment of the court would have been the same.

ONE of the leading public men of Belgium, Hon. A. D. Devoe, Attorney General and procurer of the king, arrived at Quebec on the 2nd inst. He was accompanied to that city by Mr. Chas. Le Boutiller, of Gaspe Basin. In conversation Mr. Le Boutiller said a large number of capitalists of Belgium have selected as a site a large township near the Basin of Gaspe. This movement has to a great extent been entrusted to Mr. Le Boutiller and the Catholic cure of Gaspe, who is native of Belgium and a highly talented man. The procurer, in company with Mr. Le Boutiller, made an inspection of the country and the result has been most satisfactory.

THE "fierce light that beats upon a throne" is not seldom surpassed by the searching criticism which follows a monarch into retirement. The critics of ex-President Cleveland in his own party are again feasting upon the frailties of his Administration. After the election last year Democratic disappointment found voice in utterance of this sort, but it was deemed the natural outcome of a defeat. Their revival now, however, bears the appearance of a serious movement to resist the renomination of Mr. Cleveland in 1892. The Chicago Herald, an influential organ of the Democracy of the West, and a sturdy supporter of the Cleveland Administration in the campaign, indulges in very outspoken language, and declares that in the late Government there was too much Cleveland and too little Democracy. Republican criticism carried more weight than Democratic, and the regime "called into places of great conspicuity some of the foremost donkeys of the age." Mr. Cleveland's integrity is not questioned, but his personality must have had objectionable characteristics fatal to complete success in a political field where the candidate is perhaps of equal importance with the platform. What this new Democratic "kick" presages, it is too early yet to foresee.—*Empire.*

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THERE is one politician in Virginia who understands what his party requires of him. He has the true Canadian Grit idea that all the wickedness and misery in existence comes from the opposite ranks. This individual is one Captain Nightingill, whose residence is given as Alexandria, Va., and whose sentiments are, correctly or incorrectly, thus set forth: 'I think the cause of the heavy loss of life by water and the extraordinary loss of property by fire in this country during the present year is due entirely to the fact that the Republican party is in control of the nation's affairs. There never has been a Republican administration within my recollection that has not been attended by great loss of life and property, and the great Ruler of all things has never failed to express His indignation of Republican control on inauguration day by giving such a day for the ceremonies as would make a Laplander ashamed of the party." Such views are of more than local importance, for they justify the wisdom of a majority of the people in keeping in opposition the party consenting to retain persons of this kind in its bosom. We have the same order of politicians here, and we take care to keep them in the cold shades, too.—*Empire.*

CIRCUIT RACES.

OPENING OF THE CHARLOTTETOWN DRIVING PARK.

The Charlottetown Driving Park was formally opened to the public on Wednesday of last week, when the last of the Maritime Circuit races took place. The day was fine and, notwithstanding the heavy rain of the previous night, the track was in very good condition. The attendance was not very large, but the order was excellent, and everything in connection with the two day's performances was admirably carried out, reflecting the highest credit on the management of the Park. They have, indeed, reason to congratulate themselves on the success which crowned the opening sports.

Shortly before 2 o'clock Lieutenant-Governor Carvell formally opened the Park in a brief speech; Mayor Haviland followed, complimenting the management on the success which attended their efforts in fitting up such a place for the development and improvement of horses, for the breeding of which the Island had long been famed. C. C. Gardiner, President of the company, made a few remarks, when cheers were given for the Lieut.-Governor and the directors. The Citizen's Band played "God Save the Queen," and the races were called.

The officers of the track were:

Judge—J. J. Davies, Charlottetown; James McLeod, Summerside; James Tuplin, New Annan.

Starter—J. J. Davies.

Distance Judge—John Henderson.

Timers—C. H. Dingwell and James McLeod.

Clerk—C. E. McKinnon.

THREE MINUTE CLASS.

The starters in this class were Kittie C., owned and driven by J. Churchill, Lowell, Mass.; Whistler, owned and driven by George Essory, Charlottetown; Neptune, owned by A. A. McKenzie, Cavendish, driven by P. S. Brown, and Nellie, owned and driven by Newton Lea, Truro. This race was won in three straight heats by the following horses: Kittie C. 1st; Whistler 2nd, and Neptune 3rd. Best time 2.39.

2.37 CLASS.

The starters in this race were Melbourne King, from Truro, N. S., Maud C., from St. John, N. B., and Maud M., owned by L. B. Miller, driven by P. S. Brown, Charlottetown. It was won by Maud C., Melbourne King and Maud M., in the order named. Best time 2.38.

THREE YEAR OLD CLASS.

Lady Chief, owned by Robert Fitzsimmons, Long River, driven by R. Steele; Chartreuse, owned in Amherst, N. S., and Hermit, owned and driven by A. N. Large, Ch'town, were the entrics for this class. Hermit was distanced in the first heat; and the race, interrupted on account of a heavy shower of rain, was not finished till the following day. Lady Chief took first money, Chartreuse taking second. Best time 2.45½.

SECOND DAY.

The attendance on Thursday was much larger than on the previous day. The track was first class, and the same good order prevailed. The Citizen's Band attended as on Wednesday, and discoursed sweet music at intervals.

2.45 CLASS.

After the finish of the three year old class the 2.45 was called. The entries were Mistake, Ratcatcher, Whistler, Kittie C., Minnie Grey and Maud M. Ratcatcher and Minnie Grey were distanced in the first heat, and Maud M. was drawn after the second heat. The race was won by Kittie C., Whistler, and Mistake, in the order named. Best time 2.36.

2.28 CLASS.

The entries for this class were Maud C., St. John; Bronze Chief, St. John; and Melbourne King, Truro. Maud C. took first money in three straight heats, beautifully trotted; Bronze Chief pushed her hard and was a good second, with Melbourne King third. Best time 2.22½.

RUNNING RACE.

Three entries were made for this race, viz: Tippo and Ida Grey, of Sussex, and Hopeful, of Moncton. Ida Grey was very lame and was only allowed to make one heat. The first place was taken by Hopeful in two hotly contested heats, Tippo being a good second. Best time 1.52.

Besides these races, mile and half mile exhibition races were given by a two year old, owned by J. C. Mahon, of Truro, N. S.; the pacing stallion, Westlawn, of Summerside, and a horse owned by a man named Jackson, from abroad.

Thus ended the first trotting contests at the Charlottetown Driving Park. They were, without any doubt, in every sense a success.

DEATH FROM POISONED CONFECTIONERY.

On the 2nd inst. Mrs. McRae, wife of Rev. Dr. McRae, of St. John, N. B., died suddenly. On the following day the citizens were horrified to hear it whispered about that she had met her death by being poisoned. It appears that a box of confectionery was received by mail, by Mrs. McRae on Tuesday, and addressed to Rev. Donald McRae, city. She opened it and ate some. An examination of the candy afterwards proved beyond all doubt that the confectionery contained strychnine in it, and a post-mortem examination showed this was the cause of her death. The following evening it was discovered that packages similar were received by Rev. J. DeSayers, Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, and Rev. J. T. Dienstadt, pastor of the Exmouth St. Methodist Church, but both escaped the consequences of eating it in a strange manner. Mr. Deinstadt had opened his box and was about giving some to his children when his wife had a presentiment that something was wrong with it, and would not allow the children to touch it. Mr. Sayers in opening his put a piece of the candy in his mouth and immediately discovered a very bitter taste and spat it out, thinking some one had been endeavoring to play a joke on him. He was prompted, however, to show the candy to Dr. Harding and that gentleman at once said there was strychnine in it. The box of confectionery, like the one sent to Rev. Dr. McRae, was then handed over to Rev. Dr. Best, and he reported that there was enough strychnine in either box to poison a whole family. It was late at night when these facts leaked out sufficiently to be relied on, but the news soon spread through the city and created great excitement. Coroner Berryman empanelled a jury