

years. He sends his goods to Quebec and Ontario.

Messrs. H. R. Ives & Co., of Montreal, have made application to the Minister of Agriculture to have quashed a patent granted to the Washburn & Mason Manufacturing Co., of Worcester, Mass., for a certain wire fencing. The ground upon which it is asked that the patent be declared void is that the patentees did not commence the manufacture of their fencing within the Dominion inside of two years from the date of their obtaining the patent, according to its conditions.

We learn that Messrs. Jas. Harris & Co., of Moncton, have just turned out a second class monitor-top passenger car for the Canada Pacific Railway. The exterior is finished in the standard color of the Intercolonial road. The interior is tastefully fitted, being grained in imitation of maple and oak, the sashes cherry, doors cherry and ash, with imitation ebony mouldings. The car is fitted with a Miller platform, and all the latest improvements.

THE MONTREAL EXHIBITION.

The great show now being held in Montreal nominally opened on the 14th inst., but it was not till Friday last, the 16th., that everything was in order. On Saturday, the Citizens' Holiday, there was a rush of visitors, \$4,000 was taken at the gates. On the first three days of this week, the influx of strangers was most marked, the great number of Americans from the States bordering the Province to the South being most noticeable. We append some notes of the salient features:

DAIRY PRODUCTS

The competition in factory made butter was keen, and the display unusual. Prizes of \$100, \$50 and \$25 were offered for the best three tubs factory-made butter, made at any time and place not less than 50 pounds each, open to Canada and the United States. Competitors came from Ogdensburg and Malone, N. Y. from Belleville, Brockville, Lansdown and Escott Ont. and from twelve places in Quebec. The first prize was awarded to W. H. Hare of Barrington, County of Huntingdon, the second to A. E. Prince of St. Bruno, Chambly County, and the third to Boden & Wilson of Montreal.

Twenty-five exhibitors competed in dairy made butter, best two tubs made at any place or time. These were mostly from the Eastern Townships, we only noticed one hailing from Ontario. Mr. George Howley of Abercorn, near the Vermont line, took the first prize of \$100. Mr. A. B. Cushing of Dixville, Stanstead, the second of \$50, and Mr. John Morton of St. Andrews on the Ottawa River, the third.

No less than twenty-four factories put in exhibits in Section 1 class 37, open to the province of Quebec, for the best three tubs of factory-made butter, made at any time; three prizes offered, \$50 to the first, \$20 to the second, \$10 the third, taken as under: 1st. A. E. Prince, St. Bruno; 2nd. Boden & Wilson, Montreal; 3rd. St. Bazile le Grand Factory which is in Portneuf.

The list in the dairy butter competition, Province of Quebec, is a long one, 78 entries being made by residents of over twenty counties, from Huntingdon in the South West of the province to Chicoutimi, near the Saguenay, from Argenteuil on the Ottawa, to Kamouraska near the St. John. The prize-winners are, 1st. W. D.

Curran, Corbin, Huntingdon County, \$50; 2nd. W. A. Reburn St. Anne, \$35; 3rd. G. C. Hanson, Barnston, Stanstead County, \$10; 4th. George Hawley, Abercorn, Brome County, Quebec. A working dairy is shown on the grounds by Messrs. Child & Jones of Utica, N. Y., for the manufacture of cheese and butter, and will consume 150 gallons of milk daily.

It is claimed by the Montreal Gazette that the dairy exhibit "is by far the most important which has ever been made in this province, and connoisseurs say that it never was equalled in any Canadian city," numerous exhibits being made from Vermont and New York. In cheese, the competition open to the United States and Canada brought out seventeen contestants, of whom seven were from Ontario, represented by the counties of Huron, Middlesex, Lennox and Glengarry. There were no exhibits of American cheese here. Awards were: for best five boxes cheese made at any time or place, (colored or white) 1st and sweepstakes, Wm. Hurley, London Ont., \$100; 2nd. Daniel McMillan, Lochiel, Ont. \$50; 3rd. Chas. Wood, St. Elmo, \$25. Sweepstakes.—Chas. Meunier, Rougemont, Que., 1st; Walker Factory, Walker, 2nd; J. H. Hodgson, Cote St. Antoine, 3rd. Among the large exhibits which are made in cheeses is that of Mr. Peter McFarlane, of Kelso, Que., who has some 55 boxes.

The cheese premiums offered for Quebec province, colored, factory make, brought out 18 entries, prizes \$40, \$20 and \$10, taken by Chas. Meunier, Rougemont, Rouville Co.; Jacob Ellison, East Farnham, Brome Co.; Lemire & Proulx, Labaie, Yamaska Co. Factory made, white:—L. & F. Blondin, St. Francois du Lac, Yamaska; Robt. McGee, Pigeon Hill, Missisquoi, and the "New-Found-Out Cheese Factory," whose whereabouts we could not find out, take 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes respectively. Dairy cheese. In twelve entries, prizes awarded in order to Moise Bernier, Richelieu, Co. of Rouville and N. P. Emerson, of Brome, Eastern Townships; J. J. Drummond, Cote Visitation.

HORSES AND CATTLE.

In saddle horses the collection is not up to former years, but in all other respects the show is equal to previous ones. Clydesdales, heavy draughts, French Canadians, cobs, ponies, thoroughbreds all are there. The experienced superintendent states that, having carefully noted the animals at each successive show, he has perceived an improvement in the breed of horses year by year. In the prize list, Lachine and Petite Cote vie with Compton and the counties along the Richelieu, while Cornwall gets one prize for Ontario. The number of horses shown is 250, while of cattle there are 475. Besides the 34 head of Hereford, Shorthorn, Polled Angus and Jersey cattle shown by Hon. Mr. Cochrane, of Compton, there are fine displays made by Messrs. George Whitfield, Rougemont; John L. Gibb, Compton; Wm. Rodden, Plantagenet; J. Irvine, Logan's Farm, and James Drummond, Petite Cote. Mr. Whitfield had on the ground 65 thoroughbred, pedigree cattle, and carried off many prizes. In Polled Angus and Galloways he obtained seven out of ten 1st prizes, and six 2nd and 3rd prizes, besides the special prize for best herd of these breeds. In Devons he takes three first premiums, and wins honors in Jerseys, Durhams and Herefords.

SHEEP AND PIGS.

The array of sheep on view is considerable; they are 344 in number and include many varieties. Mr. Cochrane's exhibit has in it some fine specimens of Oxford, Hampshire and Shropshire Downs, the desirableness of which animals was enforced at the time of last year's fair. We are glad to find other intelligent breeders, such as Mr. W. T. Benson, of Cardinal, dividing the honors with Mr. Cochrane in this department, so important to Canada as betokening a needed

change in the future growth of our wool. Mr. Fetherston, of Credit, Ont., took a number of prizes for South and other downs, wherein Mr. Dawes, of Lachine, and Mr. Sorby, of Guelph, also appear. Entries of pigs number 289. The names of Thos. Irving, of Montreal, and Joseph Fetherston appear most often as prize winners.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

In the words of a roving correspondent, "How-ever interesting are the products of factories and the loom in an agricultural country, the greatest number of persons must attach more importance to the products of the soil and kindred exhibits." Hence, we cannot pass by the animals, grains and roots without a word of notice. There are from 500 to 600 entries of roots and seeds, and one of the most interesting features in this department is that of sugar beet roots, which are attracting great attention in Quebec. There are twenty six entries for the medals offered by Mr. H. Legru, of the Union Sucriere Francaise. These are three in number, one in vermeil, one in silver, and one in bronze, for the best 50 sugar beet roots containing the best shape with the most saccharine properties. The display of seed is large. It includes wheat, oats, rye, pease, Indian corn and other grains. There are several exhibitions of domestic wines. The Canada Vine Growers' Association, Cookville, Ontario, makes the largest display. Montreal and Sorel also sent displays of wine.

It is interesting to notice, in passing, that the prizes for spring and winter wheat were all taken with one exception, by residents of the island of Montreal or the counties adjoining to the northward. There may be something in the farming to account for it, but the localities coincide rather remarkably. In coarse grains, again, the counties of Shefford, Chambly, and others of the Eastern Townships further to the south and east show among the premium-taking places.

TEXTILES.

The gold medal for an assortment of fine wool fancy tweeds made in Canada was taken by the Paton Manufacturing Co., of Sherbrooke, who also receive the gold medal offered to manufacturers only for the best general display of Canadian woollen goods. The Auburn Woollen Mills, of Peterboro' carry off the silver medals in both these sections, and take, besides, a bronze medal for plain tweeds. Wylie & Co. of Carleton Place, obtain bronze medals in sections 5 and 6, for fancy tweeds, also a prize for nubias and shawls.

Chambly flannels are again at the top of the list. In fine greys, S. T. Willett heads all competitors, carrying off the highest prize. In whites and colors, Messrs. Lomas & Son, of Sherbrooke, were adjudged to be first, and Mr. Willett second. In fancies, Lomas & Son, 1st, Paton Manufacturing Co., 2nd, while J. W. Farrand, of Bridgeport, Ont., comes in for the prize for grey flannel, made from Canadian wool.

Six first prizes in blankets are added to the trophies of the Cornwall Manufacturing Co.: White Saxony, Union, Medium, Mackinaw, Lumberers and Horses—in all these sections they were foremost. D. Kitchen, of Canning, Ont., taking second prize in Medium and Union, and the Montreal Blanket Co. a prize in shaped horse blankets. Some ten prizes in yarns are divided between John Penman of Paris, and John Wardlaw of Galt, both competent and enterprising manufacturers. Mr. Penman gets further distinction in premiums for his knitted underwear, men's, women's and children's, and for plush; Adams, Hackland & Co., obtaining a second prize for men's shirts and drawers. Buck & Son, and Turnbull & Co. divide pretty equally the prizes in socks, hose and gloves, sections 41 to 44.

For the best general display of cotton manufactures, the silver medal was awarded to D. Morrice & Co., agents for various manufactur-