

THE HOME SIDE OF FARM LIFE

EXHIBITION NOTES

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Among the many interesting exhibits in the horticultural building, that of garden produce is especially attractive. The exhibit is a valuable educational feature and should encourage everyone engaged in the production of vegetables to try to produce even better specimens next year.

The first-prize winners:

Potatoes—Extra Early Eureka or Irish Cobbler, F. P. Reeves & Sons, Humber Bay, Ont. Early Ohio, Wm. Naimith, Falkenburg, Ont. Empire State, Wm. Naimith, Falkenburg, Ont. Rural New Yorker (No. 2), Brown Bros., Humber Bay, Delawere, Brown Bros., Humber Bay, Davies' Warrior, Chas. Plunkett, Weston, Bliss Triumph, F. P. Reeves & Sons, Humber Bay.

Corn—Flint, Longellow, O. Panby, Kew Beach, Flint, Compton's Early, Frank A. Smith, Port Burwell, Ont. Flint, Salzer's North Dakota, S. May, Hard & Son, Chatham, Ont. (any other name), Frank Smith, Port Burwell, Golden Glow, Dent, Alvin Ouellette, Walkerville, Ont. White Cap, Yellow, Alvin Ouellette, Walkerville, Ont. Bailey, Alvin Ouellette, Walkerville, Ont. Wisconsin (No. 1), B. R. Cohen, South Woodlee, Dent (any other variety), J. G. Grothen, Walkerville, Ont. Cane containing one bushel corn, to ship, B. R. Cohen, South Woodlee, Evergreen, W. D. Woodruff, St. Catharines, Country Gentleman, Brown Bros. Golden Bantam, F. P. Reeves & Sons, Ego—Spring or fall, any variety, J. Lereb, Preston.

When—Winter, white, C. W. P. Brock, Waterford. Barley—O. A. C. A. W. Vansickle, Onondaga. Oats—O. A. C. (No. 72), A. W. Vansickle, Onondaga. Oats—Any other variety, C. W. P. Brock, Waterford, Ont. Pumpkin—Largest white one, Chas. Plunkett, Weston. Swede turnip plant, loaded with seed, Chas. Plunkett, Weston. Celery—Red, Brown Bros., Humber Bay, Paris Golden Yellow, F. P. Reeves & Sons, Humber Bay, White Plume, Brown Bros., Humber Bay, Dwarf, white solid, Brown Bros., Humber Bay. Onions—White flat, American variety, Brown Bros., Humber Bay, White Globe, American variety, F. P. Reeves & Sons, Humber Bay, Yellow American variety, Brown Bros., Humber Bay, American variety, Brown Bros., Humber Bay, Red globe, American variety, Brown Bros., Humber Bay, White Italian variety, Brown Bros., Humber Bay, Yellow Italian variety, Brown Bros., Humber Bay. Onions—Grant, Thomas Miles, West Toronto, yellow pickling (in glass), Brown Bros., Humber Bay, 1 qt. white pickling (in glass), F. P. Reeves & Sons, Humber Bay. Cauliflower—A.O.V. Brown Bros., No. 4, Erfut, snowball, Brown Bros., No. 4, Erfut, Brown Bros. Cabbage—Best collection (10 varieties), Brown Bros., Humber Bay, Savoy drumhead, Jas. Dandridge, Humber Bay, Red, Jas. Dandridge, Danish roundhead, Jas. Dandridge, Brunswick or flat Dutch, Brown Bros., Early summer, Brown Bros. Brussels sprouts—Three stalks, F. P. Reeves & Sons, Humber Bay. Radish—Winter (four varieties), W. J. Campbell, Snelgrove. Turnips—Golden ball, Wm. Naimith, Falkenburg, White stone or snowball, W. J. Campbell, Snelgrove. Beets—Turnip-rooted, Brown Bros., Humber Bay, Long blood, C. Plunkett, Weston, Turnip-rooted round, C. Plunkett, Weston. Carrots—Stump-rooted, foliage, W. D. Woodruff, St. Catharines. Pointed-rooted, foliage, C. Plunkett, Weston. Short stump-rooted, foliage, Chas. Plunkett, Weston. Squash—Six varieties, Brown Bros., Humber Bay. Parsnips—Any variety, F. P. Reeves & Sons, Humber Bay. Garden herbs—Collection, Brown Bros., Salsify, W. D. Woodruff. Leek—Thomas Miles, West Toronto. Tomatoes—Collection arranged, Brown Bros., A.O.V. C. Plunkett, Weston. Chalk's early Jewel, Brown Bros., Red canner, W. D. Woodruff, Earlana, Brown Bros., Beauty, Brown Bros., Egg plant—A.O.V., Brown Bros., New York purple, W. D. Woodruff. Muskmelon—Green, fleshed, W. J.

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DESBORO FIELD CROP COMPETITION.

The following are the names of the winners in the Desboro field crop competition. The crop judged was oats. Andrew Schmitt of Midway was the judge, and the directors are well satisfied with his work: 1. J. McKenzies; 2. Wm. Halliday; 3. W. J. Bryans; 4. Jos. Bryans; 5. Jas. McDonald; 6. Louis Mannerow; 7. Wilson Proud.

BOLTON.

William Beamish shipped a carload of stock to Alberta this week. The shipment consisted of registered mares and bulls. A snapping turtle weighing 96 lbs. was caught by Wallace Duffy and Jack McEldan on Saturday last near Gibsons Lake. This is a rare specimen, and the zoo authorities at Riverdale Park have purchased it.

A demonstration of plowing with a tractor has been in progress on the farm of Reeve Wilson of Albion under the direction of Mr. Stark, the district representative. This is the first machine of this kind to operate in the district.

EAST ZORRA.

Some of the farmers in Zorra have a difficult time in harvesting their grain on account of the scarcity of help. Appearances at present show little improvement in that regard to "the man behind the plow, who feeds us all."

Jos. Albrecht and his staff of men are busy erecting a cement silo for Wm. Kaufmann, which is the second cement silo to store corn for the large herd of Holstein cattle.

TERRA COTTA.

The harvest truly is great and the laborers are few, but notwithstanding all this the farmers are making good progress in gathering in the golden grain which is an abundant crop. The hum of the threshing machine is also being heard in our land once more and excellent turnouts of grain are reported. Greater production is now the slogan.

CLINTON.

Will Moffatt has bought from William Hardy his fine farm on the London road and will take possession in the near future.

SILVER HILL.

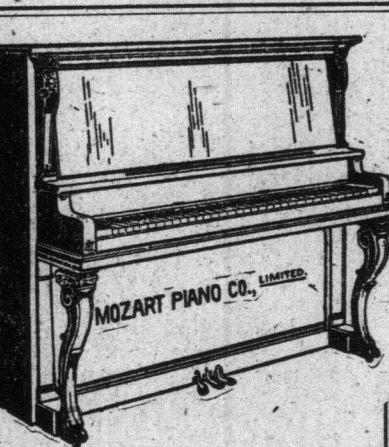
A number from here attended the barn raising at Jas. MacDowells of Gleneshe, last Friday.

WALSINGHAM.

Wm. Shoup has made a deal with John Murphy and is now the owner of a threshing outfit, and the mill known as the late Christian Shoup mill is now the property of Mr. Murphy.

Wm. Stelek has sold his fine farm on the 14th con. Hwy, consisting of 75 acres, to Edward Stire of Dashwood, for \$5000, possession to be given next November. Mr. Stelek was obliged to sell owing to ill-health, and will move to Zurich with his family in the fall.

Henry Clarke of Whitfield delivered to Bates & Skidding, live stock dealers, Shelburne, on Tuesday, 18 hogs, for which he was paid \$768.55. The price paid was \$17.75 per cwt. Mr. Skidding states that this is the largest amount they ever paid to one man at one time for hogs.



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Many are engaged in agriculture, and they toil long and hard. The farmer produces much for the world at large, but does he consider to any great extent the requirements of the inner man? Often he becomes weary with his arduous labor and considers that farm life is monotonous and the working hours too long. His heart is sad and he becomes discouraged with his life problems. His children become aware of this dissatisfaction and long to get away from the discouraging environment. This leads to the desire for other work which will allow time for culture and true companionship.

It is a right desire to be led into one's proper sphere of activity, and the children should not be denied their freedom in this connection. It is also right to remember that agriculture is one of the most important and noblest industries in the world, and that its continued progress demands the holding within its ranks the highest quality and the greatest number of its children as well as attracting to its services many more.

Home life on the farm plays an important part in this respect. The farmer and his family should endeavor to make conditions pleasant and to become happy and contented. This is a duty they owe to themselves and to others, as there is nothing which will make the farm so attractive as the atmosphere so created. This contentment should not mean stagnation, but progression mentally, physically and spiritually. The social side of life should be cultivated and a true brotherly spirit developed, as this will bind close together the members of the household, which would destroy that narrow-mindedness which seems to be a dominant trait in the character of many farmers. The farmer should become broad-minded and love the beautiful as well as the useful. His children will appreciate the happy atmosphere of the home circle, and this great broadening influence will tend to foster the much-needed neighborly intercourse.

Music is a very important factor in home life. The children in rural communities learn to love music in the open, and eagerly listen to the birds and the running brooks, and when the evening tasks are over and the family are in the home there will be moments of indoor music as well. Music brightens the home and its inhabitants. Music is education and culture. The children soon learn that a good piano or other musical instrument is essential to every complete country home.

It is a generally recognized fact that a piano is appreciated more in a country home than in the home in the city. One reason for this is that there are not so many picture shows and other diversions in the country as in the city, and the whole family therefore turn more readily and, in many instances, with greater appreciation to the piano for their relaxation and enjoyment. Another reason for the more general appreciation of piano music in the farm home is that the daughters of the country have less self-consciousness in the presence of their friends than have their city sisters. Children instinctively gather where there is music.

In many an Ontario farm home can be found those who are highly educated, both from a literary as well as a musical point of view, and the reason is that more serious and quiet study is given to these subjects and greater value is placed on their accomplishment. The farmer as well as the city dweller should know the works of the great masters and secure a better understanding of good music. Perhaps the music of the binder and

CLINTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE.

A particularly interesting meeting was held last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dodd. The president, Mrs. E. C. Munroe, was in the chair and there was a good attendance.

"Thrift" was the subject of discussion. An excellent paper was given by Mrs. C. J. Heylar, after which many practical suggestions were offered by different members, and there was an exchange of war-time recipes. There was also a short program consisting of an instrumental solo by Gertrude Fowler, a duet by Mrs. Palsley and Miss Gladys Cantelon, a solo by Donna Mulholland and a reading on thrift by Mrs. W. S. Downs. At the conclusion of the program a dainty luncheon was served.

C. E. Cutts, of Esqueping Township, has purchased the 100 acre farm at Acton belonging to Jos. Flynn. The goat industry is being added to the agricultural class in some parts of Ontario. R. B. Samuels, of Kingsville, has 17 Swiss goats in his flock. Goat's milk is said to be nourishing.

There will again lead our thoughts to the contemplation of those higher essentials of a well-ordered life, as when the children remember with delight the music they have heard in the city, perhaps at the Exhibition time, the parents will also look with favor on the prospect of music in the home.



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VELVET FOR DYING.

Is not the title of this book well chosen when one is thinking of cream? The contents of this catalog are apparently as intelligently arranged as the name would lead one to suspect. The story has a good swing to it, and the illustrations make it well worth any dairy farmer's while to ask for a copy from an agent of The Sharples Separator Company.

WAVERLEY.

James French had a barn raising on Wednesday of last week. Pleased to hear of no accident.

THE FLAX PULLERS.

Over 80 men and boys responded to the call of the Seaford Food Production Association for volunteer flax pullers to help the Canada Flax Mill Company harvest the crop on the farm of W. J. Shannon, north of the town, on Wednesday afternoon of last week. Five and a third acres in all were pulled, of which three acres were pulled by the men of the Canada Furniture Company, and \$27.21 of the money paid by the flax company for the work was donated to the Red Cross Society, who provided an excellent supper for the workers. It is estimated that the flax company will leave \$28,000 in Seaford and vicinity for this season's flax crop.

DOING THEIR BIT.

"Over half a million women are engaged in farm work this year in Great Britain. The advent of women into the ranks of labor constitutes one of the most important and significant features of the war," writes the Scottish American.

This apple crop in the State of Tasmania, Australia, for the present season is the smallest in recent years. Last year nearly 2,000,000 bushels were shipped to England and to other states of Australia, while this year's exports will be much over 1,000,000 cases, of which about 150,000 cases were sent to England.

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