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THE MONTREAL EXHIBITION.

Preparations are actively under way for the fall exhibition in Montreal, which is to be held from Thursday, the 17th, to Friday, the 25th September. Great improvements have been made both in grounds and buildings; while the interest in the event and the competition for space are shown by the fact that some \$4,000 has been realized from exhibitors, the right to one of the buildings alone bringing \$700. The number of entries of live stock is so large that extra stalls are to be built to provide the necessary accommodation. Various extra prizes have already been announced as contributed by citizens or institutions in Montreal. La Banque d'Hochelaga, for instance, has offered a silver cup for the best carload of exported cattle.

THE SHERBROOKE FAIR.

The event of its kind in the Eastern Townships of Quebec is always the Eastern Townships Association fair at Sherbrooke. This year it began on September 1st and lasted till Saturday. While the attendance on the other days was good, Friday was disappointing because of rain in the forenoon. Ten thousand people were present on the 2nd, but the great crowd was on Thursday, when 13,000 people are estimated to have visited the grounds. The Governor-General was present on Wednesday. A centre of attraction was the working dairy under the charge of Professor J. W. Robertson, of the experimental farm, Ottawa. The process of making good butter and cheese on the most approved plan was shown in operation.

The display of horses and cattle shown was of high character, as is always to be expected on this occasion. The herds of Hon. Senator Cochrane, of Hillhurst, Compton, were represented by some fine cattle. Of cheese and butter the exhibit was especially fine. There were 459 exhibits of cheese, distributed as follows:—Quebec, 348; Nova Scotia, 57; Ontario, 54. Eight factories from Nova Scotia were represented. In Quebec the district of Bedford made the largest showing, having 300 exhibits in the main building. Arthur McFarlane, of the Bedford Syndicate No. 1, took the Dominion sweepstakes for cheese, defeating Nova Scotia and Ontario.

Prizes in fruits were secured by exhibitors from Hatley, Milby, Compton, Granby and Hillhurst. The display of field implements was meagre.

Among the manufactures shown were some from a great distance. Carling's brewery sent from London, Ont., a display of its amber ale, lager and export beer. The Gendron Manufacturing Co. of Toronto, had on exhibition bicycles and children's carriages, and the Office Specialty Co., of the same city, sent an array of its bank and office fittings. Oshawa sent carriages, dog-carts and top buggies. From Montreal were to be seen furnaces, heaters, stoves and hot-water fittings made by Warden King & Son; trunks and valises from Barrington's; silver-plated goods from the Canada Co.; flour and bread from Ogilvie's mills. The Sherbrooke manufacturers of various goods likewise made a creditable display, the Macfarlane Milling Co. in particu-

lar. One very striking exhibit was that of the Paton Manufacturing Company. It consisted of specimens of worsted, of which they are making a specialty, also samples of plain and fancy tweeds and overcoatings, scarlet and grey military cloth for the Canadian militia; shoe cloth, jersey cloth, boot linings, Pullman and fancy rugs, plaids, shawls, cashmerettes and other varieties. Their display has been recommended for a medal. This company is erecting a new worsted mill, 4 storeys high, 208 feet by 57, brick. The whole establishment, by the way, employs 625 hands.

Much attention was excited by the specimens of light and dark granite shown by the Stanstead Granite Co., which resembles in quality and appearance that quarried in Barre, Vermont.

Among the winners of diplomas for manufactures were the Cockshutt Plough Co., of Brantford; the Metallic Roofing Co. for metal shingles; the Toronto Radiator Co.; Warden King & Co. for heaters; and the Eastern Townships Corset Co.

THE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

Not until yesterday could the exhibits in the larger buildings of the Toronto Industrial Fair be described as complete. In some of the detached structures, however, Tuesday's and Wednesday's visitors could find matters well forward. Therefore we propose to notice these first. In passing let it be said that the arrangements and prospects for this year's exhibition indicate a large attendance and the customary success. Lack of room is already apparent, however, and some of those exhibitors who have erected buildings in the grounds are complaining that their premises are half hidden by tents and booths.

In and around the Gurney Building one may always look for novelties in hollow-ware, &c., and he need not look in vain. The first thing that strikes one as he approaches it from the west is a pair of quaint-looking "Old-time" wood parlor stoves of unaccustomed pattern, bearing the inscription E. & C. GURNEY, 1845. One of these is named the "Twin Brother," the other, with its twin Ionic pillars resembling an old-fashioned Franklin stove, may be called the Antique. The casting of these stoves is good, and the carving remarkable for that day and generation in Canada West. Inside the building is an array of Gurney's new line of "John Bull" ranges in different sizes for family use, farmers' use, hotels and restaurants. These are known as the steel plate French range, and are made with or without hot closet. Hotel ranges are shown to burn either wood or coal, and 1, 2, or 3 fires at a time can be used.

Of the kitchen stoves produced by this company, the "Kitchen Witch" is new this season. It is made with four holes and six holes respectively, tank and heater. The "Bright Idea" wood stove is also new. It is made in various sizes, and has a ventilated oven. The well-known Gurney Hot Water Heater has had an addition made to its patterns: this is called the Geyser, and boasts a new fire-pot in sections. One of these geysers will be shown "in action," with pipes running around the building, and the scientific design of the furnace will doubtless be explained on the spot. It is very evident that the decorative artist of the establishment has an eye upon the fashionable world, for he has painted the numerous samples of steam, hot air and hot water radiators in the very latest, daintiest millinery and dress goods colors of mauves, slates, creams, and indescribable greens, but has mercifully

gilded them much less than the head-gear of to-day is tinselled. The Gurney Scale Company, successors to Gurney & Ware, have specimens of their scales on hand in plenty.

In the neat and convenient Dunbar and McMaster building at the Fair, which we have described on a previous occasion, is an effective display of the products of that eminent Irish firm. Netting threads, fishing threads, shoe threads, tailors' threads, machine threads, crewel threads, embroidery threads, all of linen. And besides these are fish-nets and cords. Mr. Davison, the Canadian agent for this firm, has adopted an ingenious method of popularizing Dunbar's threads. Knowing the influence of children in the household, he sends out on the backs of some thousands of lithographed cards (bearing a view of the building) a message to the children, thus: "Save the labels from Dunbar & Co.'s spools, same as shown on the other side of this card, and for every 25 labels you send us to the address below, with your address, you will receive by return mail a handsome picture or book. Tell your friends this thread is the best, and induce them and your parents to buy it." And the proposed prizes are on view at the fair.

The building of Rice Lewis & Son, limited, is bright with handsome mantels, grates, and tiles, set off by a profusion of drapery in the shape of British and Canadian flags. Among their exhibits are iron bedsteads of English make in attractive variety, brass-mounted and as roomy and substantial as such English products are expected to be. Children's iron cots, too, and a variety of bedroom and parlor conveniences or hardware necessities.

"We are giving away ten thousand of these," said Mr. Callaway; "they will be here, ready for the visitors, to-morrow." And he pointed to the huge oil painting, seven feet by three, of a harvest scene on the C.P.R., near Brandon.

"Ten thousand of what?" asked the scribe, accustomed as he was to the wholesale enterprise of this most modern and freehanded railway. "You don't mean to say that you —"

"Yes, that's what I mean," replied the black-eyed, white haired bundle of methodical energy known to the public as the western passenger agent, and to his friends as "Van Horne, Junior,"—"ten thousand lithograph copies in miniature of that very picture on the central stairway."

Five minutes afterwards he was to be seen in his shirt sleeves surrounded by the Northwest ice-fiend, George H. Ham, and a group of hot-faced but cool-headed workers, getting into place in the C. P. R. building near the Grand Stand, vegetables, seeds, grains, grasses, from the company's farms in the Canadian North-West. It is a pretty place, this repository of theirs, and they show much that is of peculiar interest to the scientist and the studious agriculturist. But after all they are carriers, and the man they make the greatest effort to get hold of is the traveller. This is manifest from the array of timetables, mountain pictures, descriptive hand bills, gilt cards, and what not showing routes and fares.

THE ANNEXE.

Amid the bustle of preparation and the confusion of objects not yet arranged one distinguishes enormous refrigerators, wood-work in the shape of toys and vehicles, rattan furniture and cane work, canoes from Gore's Landing and Peterboro, machines, Canadian and American. Bicycles ornament the centre of the building; and towards the north end an