

have shown well anywhere, and in the saddle-horse contest Mr. Edgson's bay mare first and Mr. R. C. Northcote's grey second, beating some very good horses. For general purposes, Kier's were the best. No sheep could compete with Botterell's stock; he took all the prizes. In pigs, Drummond and Edgson took all the prizes. Poultry was not so largely represented as might be expected, but some very fair birds were shown.

In the hall the exhibits as usual were very good. The committee having cut down the quantity of each exhibit so as to prevent such a crowding as in previous years, but there were fully as many entries as formerly and in the cereals an increase, some very fine wheat and oats being shown by Messrs Drinkwater, Duncan and Bonsall.

In the dairy and vegetable sections, there were not so many entries as in former years. The fruits were well represented and there appeared to be so many varieties of winter apples as to puzzle the judges of the interior, as no awards were made. Some peaches shown by Mr. Fuller were not to be surpassed in any country, and proved the capacity of this island to grow this luscious fruit to perfection. Some of these peaches measured twelve inches in circumference and were of the finest quality, as also those of Mr. J. P. Booth of Salt Spring. Dancing was kept up on the platform all the time the judges were making their awards which took them till four o'clock. The judges of the ladies' work and dairy, jams, &c., Mrs. Rudlin, Mrs. Carnes, and Mrs. Broadwell, left, and the anxiously waiting crowd immediately thronged the hall.

The committee of management, Messrs J. Drinkwater and J. N. Evans deserve credit for their arrangements.

The President, W. C. Duncan, Esq., was about as busy as any one, and to him and the much-in-request Secretary, Wilton Edgson, Esq., much of the success of the show must be attributed. The gate-keepers, Messrs. Drummond and Richards, might now rest from their arduous labors, as the crowd began to pack up for the landing.

Amid the hearty cheers of the Cowichaners and the music of the band, the *Hunt* cast off her lines for the home stretch about 8 p.m., and had a pleasant run down.

"T was a calm, still night,
And the moon's pale light"

was very gratifying to the people, but not so interesting as one genial old gentleman of fine musical ear and remarkable facial qualifications, who delighted the select party in the saloon with some selections from the operas. The boat was too crowded for dancing, but a most enjoyable day was spent by all, and we "tooted our horn" to the tune of "Homo Again" at midnight, when Capt. Rudlin gallantly swung his vessel to her moorings at Spratt's Wharf.

By the kindness of the Secretary we are enabled to give a list of the prize takers, as follows:

LADIES' WORK—Patchwork quilt, Mrs. G. Mills; best knitted quilt, Miss Mufford; knitted socks, Miss Ordano, Mrs. Menzies; fancy needlework, Mrs. Beaumont, Miss Botterell; wool crochet, Miss Botterell, Miss Bufford; loaf bread, Mrs. Ackerman, Mrs. Charley; best jam, Mrs. Fry, Mrs. Edgson; bouquet flowers, Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Calvert.

Ackerman—Best Indian corn, second best shallots, second best collection fruits.

Bednall—Best collection grass seeds, best tomatoes, second best pears, best fresh butter.

H. Bell—Second best mixed carrots, best onions.

Booth—Best Swede turnips, second best tomatoes, best pears.

Beaumont—Second best general horse.

Botterell—Best and second best ram, best five ewes.

Bonsall, H.—Second best bushel spring wheat.

Brown—Second best geese.

Charley—Best ducks.

Drummond—Best boar.

Drinkwater—Best bushel spring wheat, best bush oats, second best bushel field peas, second best collection Indian corn.

Davey—Best early potatoes.

Duncan, W. C.—Second best three year old colt, best bushel fall wheat, second best bushel oats, second best bushel Indian corn, best collection turnips, all kinds, second best onions, second best early carrots.

Evans, J. N.—Second best two-year old colt, second best three varieties potatoes, second best cabbages, second best beet root, second best citron melons.

Edgson—Best saddle horse, second best boar, second best fresh butter.

Fletcher—Best geese

Harrison—Best turkeys.

Hobert—Best brood mare with foal, best three-year old colt, second best yearling colt, best Belgian carrots, best red carrots, best parsnips.

Kier—Second best stallion, best general horse.

Lilly—Second best Swede turnips, best late potatoes, best three varieties potatoes, best citron melons.

Lomas—Best cucumbers, best cabbage, best varieties cabbages.

Marshall—Second best autumn apples.

Mr. Mariner—Second best cow, best two year old heifer, second best yearling, second best mangolds, second best Belgian carrots, cabbages, mixed varieties, second, best cauliflower; poultry—best Leghorns, best Hamburgs; best salt butter, best beet root, second best vegetable marrow.

Menzie—Best shallots.

McPherson—Best yearling colt, second best brood mare, best early carrots.

Northcote—Second best saddle horse, best six mangolds, best squashes.

Richards—Second best cucumbers, best collection fruits, second best ducks.

Rudlin—Best vegetable marrows.

Todd—Best stallion.

Windsor—Second best late potatoes, best autumn apples.

Win—Best bushel barley.

Young, D.—Best bushel field peas, second best early potatoes.