

manufacture of seamless bags and coarse articles of linen. The extensive woollen mills of Messrs. Barber, at Streetsville, also noticed in a previous volume of the Journal, are in full operation, with a demand for their manufactures fully equal to their ability to satisfy.

The same may be said of almost all our Toronto mechanics and manufacturers; so that although our selections of articles for Paris will be very good, a credit to the Province, yet they will not have been prepared specially for the purpose—our manufactures will be shown as they are to be found here at any time; and not as we are able to produce them, if we could devote the time and labour necessary to their production.

All goods intended for exhibition should be sent to the Secretary of the Board of Arts and Manufactures by the 1st of December, instant; as shipments will have to be made immediately after that date.

A full list of the articles sent will be published in the January number of the Journal.

GRAND PLOUGHING MATCH.

According to promise in our last issue, we notice briefly the grand Ploughing Match held on the 31st of October, near this city.

Owing to the difficulties usually attending the conducting of ploughing matches during the days of the Provincial Exhibition, the Agricultural Association abandoned the idea and, instead, gave substantial aid and encouragement to the Directors of the city of Toronto Electoral Division Society, in a match got up by them and open to the whole Province. The contest came off on the date above mentioned, in a field adjoining the Davenport station of the Northern-Railway, about five miles from the city. The prize list comprised both money and useful implements and other articles, amounting in value to nearly \$1,000, divided into five classes and fifty-nine prizes, from \$1 to \$150 in value, as follows:—

First class—open to all.

Second class—open to all, who had not taken a 1st or 2nd prize in either 1st or 2nd classes at any previous match, within the past five years.

Third class—Cast-iron Beam Plough—open to all.

Fourth class—For boys under 18 years of age. No one was allowed to compete in this class, who had taken a 1st prize, in any former match; but all such might compete in any of the former classes.

Fifth class—For boys who had never competed in any former match.

At 11.15. a.m., forty-three ploughs started, all but three completing their task within the time

allowed. The work done was excellent, and above the general average. Great interest was manifested in the Boys classes, in both of which the work done was very commendable, and encouraging for the future.

In the evening a coversazione was held in the St. Lawrence Hall, for the distribution of the prizes. About 300 persons were present, who partook of refreshments supplied by Mr. Webb.

After refreshments the President, P. Armstrong Esq., took the chair, and briefly addressed the meeting. R. L. Denison, Esq., next addressed the company, and presented the prize cards in the first class. The Rev. W. F. Clarke, Editor of the *Canada Farmer*, delivered lengthy and interesting remarks, and presented the prize cards in the second class. Professor Buckland presented the prize cards to the successful competitors in the third class, prefacing the presentation with appropriate remarks. The prize cards in the fourth and fifth classes were presented by James Fleming, Esq., and Mr. Alderman Strachan. Dr. Ross of Toronto, and Mr. Stewart of Chicago, also addressed the meeting.

This entertainment was of a novel and pleasing character, and was enlivened during the evening with music by the excellent Band of the gallant 10th Royal Volunteers.

For prizes awarded and donations given, see advertisement on fourth page of cover.

EXIT FROM PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

On three several occasions, in the pages of this Journal, we have urged upon our Architects, the general public, and the Legislature, the desirability of making provision for the opening outwards of all exit doors of Churches, and other public buildings; especially having in view the many melancholy instances of loss of life occurring from the reverse practice.

We are pleased to notice that our Legislature, at its late and probably last session, passed an Act (29, 30 Vict. cap. 22) making it imperative that all such buildings in future to be erected, shall have their exit doors and gates of outer fences so constructed; and that all trustees or managers of such public buildings already erected, shall have their doors and gates so altered as to open outwards, within *twelve* months from the passing of the Act, which was passed and assented to on the 15th of August, 1866—so that all parties concerned should bear in mind to have the necessary alterations completed before the same date, in the year 1867, under a penalty, in case of failure to comply with the provisions of the Act, of *Fifty Dollars*,