

Live Stock A Feature

At the Annual Exhibition at Lad-
ner—Large Increase in
Entries.

The Show Proved a Great Success
—List of the Prize
Winners.

Ladner, Sept. 29.—The thirteenth annual exhibition of the Delta Agricultural Society was held in the show grounds at Ladner today, fine weather prevailing and it was a success of a show of this kind and the success of the Delta Agricultural Society of 1900 must be regarded as the most successful on record.

The aim of the directors is to hold an instructive and high class agricultural exhibition, but as a purely agricultural show does not appeal to the needs and tastes of all city folks, and having in view the financial success of the undertaking, the committee of management made a specialty of side attractions, and provided an excellent programme, every item of which was thoroughly appreciated by the onlookers. Horse racing was in evidence and some good exhibitions of horsemanship were given.

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As a preliminary overture, and by way of affording amusement to the crowd, a procession was made around the grounds, one of the features being a decorated car representing South Africa, containing the Canadian players in full dress uniforms, the bachelors playing "Cock o' the North" whilst in front, seated on a small pony was President Kruger, who was making good his escape with some of the hoarded treasures of the Transvaal.

At most of the provincial fairs the arts and industries are well represented, the exhibits in these classes competing in importance and interest with the agricultural exhibits, and representing very fairly the industrial progress of the locality in which the exhibition is held. But the Ladner fair is made conspicuous by the absence of any such exhibits, and a small display of local manufactures would therefore be desirable at future fairs, as it would benefit both the exhibition and the manufacturers themselves, enabling the latter to compete more successfully for the local trade.

Stainton, of Ladner, with his usual enterprise, had on exhibition a large display of bicycles of different makers.

Of the exhibition proper the most important feature was undoubtedly the show of live stock, the display in all classes, horses, cattle, sheep and swine, being one of the best that has been seen, and a surprise to many who visited the exhibition for the first time. In number and quality, this part of the show was a decided improvement on last year, the entries being much larger and the animals shown in better condition than formerly. In none of the classes was this more noticeable than in the horses, of which a splendid showing was made.

The work of the judges, Messrs. E. E. Penzer, J. R. Morrison and H. Gilley, was no mean feat, and required good judgment on their part in selecting the prize winners. G. E. Ladner, Ed. Gowdy and W. Pybus contributed largely to the entries in this division. J. McDonald, of Creston, had also shown a fine animal of heavy draught, 8-year-old, which secured the ribbons as well as the admiration of onlookers. The Wellington farm also had on exhibition a 3-year-old colt, which tipped the scales at 1,800 lbs. Recent arrivals from the States and Canada, the East has not only caused keen competition among the exhibitors, but in almost every case the animals shown were in tip top condition, and were as fine an exhibit as could be seen at any of the live stock fairs.

The cattle exhibit was good and all the classes were well filled, the quality throughout being excellent. Messrs. W. H. and T. E. Ladner were again exhibitors in this division on a large scale, bringing many prizes. Competition was keen, and a healthy rivalry prevailed, especially in class 27, for the best herd of five dairy cows; the first prize, \$15, carrying with it a handsome silver mounted challenge cup, which was presented by late Mrs. McNeely, to be won three times by same owner before becoming his property. There were six entries, and a splendid lot of animals were shown, each herd in turn being admired both by the judges and the spectators. The trophy was eventually carried off by the Wellington farm, being shown by J. E. Ladner. In this connection it may be stated that for the past two years W. H. Ladner was in possession of this challenge cup, and it had become his property had he been a winner this year.

The field produce exhibits, whilst well represented in some classes, were not as attractive as might have been, a poor showing being made in wheat, barley and oats. Some of the classes did not receive any entries, and this is to be regretted, more especially as the farming land of the Delta can produce and compete for the finest quality of oats, wheat and other grain. In this division a special prize offered by the Brackman & Ker Milling Company, Ltd., for the best sample of white milling oats, was awarded to Wm. Arthur, who exhibited some fine samples of grain, whilst W. J. Frederick's exhibit of a collection of grain in sheaf was worthy of commendation, and well merited the prize which was offered in this class.

The horticultural display was excellent, and lent a gay appearance to the interior of the hall, which was made attractive by the elegant display of the smaller exhibits.

The arrangements for the show, which as usual left nothing to be desired, were carried out by the energetic and courteous secretary of the association, A. De R. Taylor, assisted by Mr. H. N. Rich, treasurer; Ed. Calhoun and H. D. Benson, and it is a source of gratification in knowing their endeavors in bringing about so successful an exhibition is

recognized and aided by a large increase in membership, which assure the success of next year's fair.

Following is a list of prize winners:

PURE BRED CATTLE.

Durham.

Bull, aged—W. H. Ladner, Wellington Farm.

Bull, 1 year old—T. E. Ladner.

Bull, aged—1 and 2, W. H. Ladner.

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Two Heads Field Cabbage—1, Lee Wing; 2, J. Bone.

Collection of Grain in Sheaf—1, W. F. Fredericks; 2, Alex. Davey.

Brackman & Ker Milling Co., for best white milling oats, cash \$5—W. Arthur.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Current Wine, one gallon—1, George Lassiter; 2, Mrs. Woodward.

Assortment Preserved Fruits—1, Mrs. C. H. Morrow; 2, Mrs. Pybus.

Honey, best exhibit, in comb or extract—1, Mrs. Woodward; 2, Geo. Lassiter.

FRUIT.

Apples.

Twelve Early—1, W. Arthur; 2, J. Bone.

Twelve Gravensteins—1, W. Woodward; 2, W. Arthur.

Twelve Any Other Variety—1, Miss Reed; 2, G. A. Browne.

Twelve Russets—1, W. Arthur; 2, W. Woodward.

Twelve Any Other Variety—1, Alex. Davey; 2, W. Arthur.

Three Varieties, six of each—1, J. A. Browne; 2, W. Arthur.

Six Varieties, six of each—2, J. A. Browne.

Pears.

Twelve Bartlets—1, W. Arthur; 2, J. Bone.

Twelve Any Other Fall Variety—1, W. Arthur; 2, J. Bone.

Twelve Any Other Winter Variety—1, W. Arthur; 2, J. A. Browne.

Twelve Three Varieties, six of each—1, W. Arthur; 2, J. A. Browne.

Plums.

Cooking—1, W. Arthur; 2, J. A. Browne.

Twelve Dessert—1, W. Woodward; 2, W. Arthur.

Other Fruit.

Prunes, twelve green—W. Arthur.

Dish Prunes, dry—W. Arthur.

Crab Apples, twelve—1, J. Bone; 2, T. E. Ladner.

Crab Apples, three varieties—W. Arthur.

Dish Blackberries—1, J. A. Moore; 2, W. Woodward.

Collection Fruit—W. Arthur.

FLOWERS.

Collection Geraniums, in pots, not less

than 4—Mrs. Woodward.

Puchsas, in pots, not less than 4—Mrs. Woodward.

Hanging Basket—Mrs. Woodward.

Collection Roses, cut Flowers—1, Mrs. Woodward; 2, A. de R. Taylor.

Collection Stocks, cut Flowers—Mrs. Woodward.

Collection Asters—1, Mrs. Woodward; 2, Mrs. W. McIntyre.

Collection Fancies—Mrs. H. J. Cresswell.

Collection Carnations, cut Flowers—Mrs. Woodward.

Collection Gladioli—1, Mrs. Woodward.

2, A. de R. Taylor.

Collection Dahlias, double—1, Mrs. Woodward; 2, J. A. Browne.

Collection Dahlias, single—Mrs. Woodward.

Collection Everlasting, cut Flowers—1, Mrs. Woodward; 2, Mrs. Lefroy.

Bouquet, table—1, Mrs. Woodward; 2, J. A. Browne.

Bouquet, hand—Mrs. Woodward.

Floral Ornament—Mrs. Lanning.

FANCY WORK.

Fancy Netting—Mrs. W. J. Lanning.

Soft Pillow—Mrs. C. Green.

Embroidery on Cotton or Linen—Mrs. Lefroy.

Handwork Centrepiece—1, Mrs. Woodward; 2, Mrs. Clara Fredericks.

Crochet Cotton Lace—Mrs. C. H. Morrow.

Pin Cushion, any kind—1, Mrs. W. Arthur; 2, Mrs. W. J. Lanning.

Socks, knit—1, Mrs. C. H. Morrow; 2, Mrs. Woodward.

Hand Sewing—1, Mrs. W. J. Lanning; 2, Mrs. Woodward.

Best Collection of Any Fancy Articles—Mrs. W. J. Lanning.

Battenburg Work—Mrs. Sherman.

Freehand Drawing—1 and 2, Miss Leroy.

Oil Painting—1 and 2, Miss Lefroy.

Best Collection of Drawings—1, Miss M. Lefroy; 2, Miss May McLellan.

Work Done by Children Under 16.

Hemmed Handkerchief, stitched—Daisy Devereux.

Crochet Work in Cotton—Daisy Devereux.

2, H. M. Vasey.

Specimen Penmanship—1, Florence Kirkland; 2, Rosetta Kerr.

Work Done by Children Under 11.

Crochet Work in Cotton—Edith Rich.

Outline Work—1, Edith Rich; 2, Bee Welch.

Specimen Penmanship—1, Allan Mansel; 2, Myrtle McDonald.

BABY SHOW.

1, Mrs. Davis; 2, Mrs. Ellis; 3, Mrs. Gillespie; 4, Mrs. W. Walters.

Do not suffer from sick headache a moment longer. It is not necessary. Carter's Little Liver Pills will cure you. Dose, one little pill. Small price. Small dose. Small pill.

Mr. Robertson accompanied the Porcupine commissioners north, and while away travelled pretty well over the whole country. He says, regarding the new diggings, that they were discovered by Messrs. Kenneth McLean and Miller, the very men who staked the discovery claims in Atlin, and are situated on the Bear and Clear creeks, tributaries of the upper Chilkat river, which empties into Lynn canal on the coast. They were staked off and recorded on the 24th of last month, and when Mr. Robertson left for home a stampede had set in, men who would not be influenced by the reports of many joining in the rush simply because of their faith in the discovery of gold. These men are known to be reliable fellows, whose statements can be depended on, and for this reason, Mr. Robertson states, the exodus to the creeks is accelerated.

Capt. John Irving was said to be one of those on his way into the country, his trip being made with the object, it was understood, of placing a steamer on the Chilkat river. At present no vessel plies on this water, but it was supposed that a light draught craft could be operated successfully as far up stream as Lone Bridge, thirty miles from salt water, or within twenty miles of the new diggings. Messrs. McLean and Miller declare the new diggings to be as rich on the surface as the best they had ever seen at bed rock in Atlin. The auriferous belt extends along Bear and Clear creeks for a distance of between twenty and thirty miles. Bed rock is said to be found at a depth of twenty feet, and Mr. Robertson, who visited the creeks, but who, of course, had no time to wait and see any clear-up, says that the bench lands have an excellent slope. When he left fifty-five claims had been staked off, and he has no doubt but that the whole country will be occupied next spring.

The new creeks, of which Mr. Robertson kindly furnished the Times with a rough sketch, hurriedly made, are very easy of access. Leaving Skagway, one takes the regular mail boat for Haines Mission, just across the Lynn canal, sailing from the former port every second day. From Haines Mission there is a short portage to Heinke's on the Chilkat, from which point one can go to within eight miles of the new diggings by canoe. An alternate route for about thirty miles of the distance is afforded by crossing Chilkat river to Murphy's state, opposite Heinke's, travelling thence by horseback to Lone Bridge, at the mouth of Klensner river. Here the canoe has again to be resorted to, for about twelve miles, as the Chilkat, above the Klensner, is very shallow. From the point of debarkation the distance to the new diggings is but eight miles.

Regarding the discoveries on Porcupine creek, Mr. Robertson states that some splendid discoveries have been made, but while these are within American territory those of Bear and Clear creeks are well on the Canadian side, as will be