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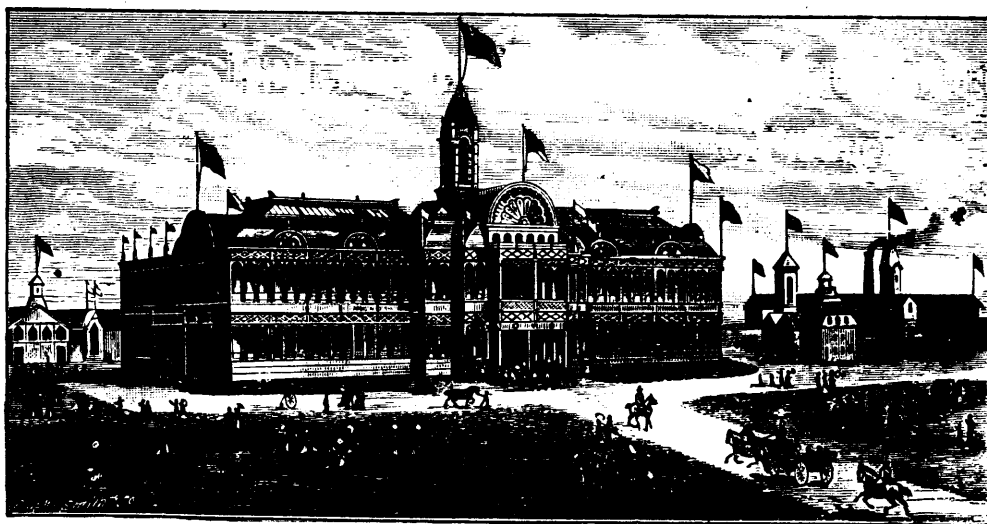
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### THE TORONTO EXHIBITION.

The Industrial Exhibition or "Canada's Great Fair," as it is now by common consent generally called, has become a permanent institution, each successive year growing in popularity, as, apart from the enterprise displayed by the managers in providing special attractions, the splendid facilities this city possesses in the shape of railway and water communication and hotel accommodation are greatly in its favor. We have now a copy of the prize list before us, which is, as usual, a most liberal one. We notice that at the request of the manufacturers no prizes are to be awarded for Agricultural Implements, and in the Machinery department medals only will be awarded for recent inventions and improvements.

The last few seasons manufacturers have not been to the fore with large exhibits, mainly on account of their being pressed with orders so as to preclude the idea of getting up anything special for display. It is, however, an open question, whether it is not to their own benefit to make an extra effort to place their goods before the public on such occasions, when large numbers are congregated together for the express purpose of seeing what there is to be seen. It is simply advertising on a broad scale, with the advantage of probable customers being able to personally inspect the goods offered, and not having to depend mainly on descriptive catalogues or circulars. In machinery, for instance, there are often new and valuable improvements, of which it is not easy to give a lucid written description; but, on being examined



All articles to be exhibited in these classes must, however, be entered with the secretary in the same manner as other classes. Of course most manufacturers are aware that there is no charge for space in the Machinery Hall, and that the power and main line of shafting is also furnished free of cost.

Two new wings were added to the main building in 1880, and these were fitted up with shafting and power, specially fitted for the exhibition of processes of manufacture. We would like to see some of our textiles, also manufactures in other lines, represented in this department, as such exhibits are always the most popular, and could hardly fail to repay the necessary outlay, by the prominence given to the firm exhibiting. Right here the following paragraph, appearing in a previous issue, may bear repetition.

and tested by those interested, their merits are at once acknowledged, and a trade results.

The special attractions offered the public are also of much interest to exhibitors of manufactures or machinery, inasmuch as they serve to draw much larger crowds, and in consequence the exhibits are inspected by a larger constituency than would otherwise be the case. This year a leading feature will be a lively competition of Gas. vs. Electricity, the Consumers' Gas Company of Toronto having expressed their intention of making a display of gas lamps and burners, the light from which, they claim, will be superior to the electric light in economy, beauty, and steadiness. The space at our disposal this week is too limited to give further particulars, but we urge Canadian manufacturers to make an effort towards proving, by their dis-