

Words fail to express my gratitude to Mr. S. J. Carter, of Nashville, Tenn., for the benefits derived from Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

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It is a severe calamity to any agricultural country not to be the producer of its own wool.

It is said that 955 farms in Iowa are owned by women, and that twenty dairy farms are managed by women.

The Cranberry crop this year will be the heaviest ever known in New Jersey, the vines being loaded with fruit.

In Walla Walla, Washington Territory, may be seen eight miles of continuous wheat fields along the foot-hills of the Blue Mountains.

The American Dairyman says that Jersey steers are as quick and intelligent as Devon steers; that they grow to good size and make the best of beef.

The Hog, a new paper, says that the animal for which it is named furnishes all the grease to run the farm machinery, and transports more grain to market, in its bones, sinews and muscles, than all the railroads in America.

The prairie fires in Dakota have done a world of damage, over several hundred square miles in the aggregate. Homesteads, crops, fences, etc., have been destroyed, and hundreds of farmers are destitute on the approach of cold weather.

It is said that about one-eighth of the English wheat crop was so damaged as to be fit only for stock feeding by three weeks of wet weather preceding Sunday, September 20. The damage to barley is reported to be much greater than that to wheat; but in view of the heavy supply in sight, the damage has not affected the markets.

The report of the Privy Council shows that during 1885 there has been a great decrease of 192,720 acres in the area under wheat; an increase of 85,526 acres in that under barley; an increase of 25,317 acres in that under oats; a decrease of 16,817 acres in that under potatoes; an increase of 2,056 acres in that under hops. This is in comparison with the year 1884.

The over-stimulation of dairy cows has already had its effects, as showing the injury to cows by stuffing with special foods to produce wonderful butter production for a short season, at the expense of future usefulness of the cow. Another point, also practically determined, is that these wonderful amounts of butter produced have been at an expense greater than the value of the product.

Winter Fashions.

Godey's Lady's Book.

Beards are in great favor.

With dresses of woollen, bonnets and hats are in vogue.

Wool ribbons, that look like hands of Astrakhan fur, are a decided novelty.

Plomb the new lead color, is highly popular, but not generally becoming.

Green combines well with brown, garnet or pink, and such combinations are now in good style.

A novelty in hat trimmings is velvet, ornamented with nails made of jet having the points turned upward.

Some of the largest and most expensive fans are painted in oils and water colors, not only in designs of flowers and fruits, but in landscapes.

High loops of ribbon are arranged in bows, and are interspersed with slender wings or quills, powdered with beads or diamond dust.

Blue moonlight and blue steel beads, mixed with a quantity of bronze or garnet beads, form some of the most beautiful trimmings that can be obtained.

A novelty is a set consisting of a hat or cap and muff with a bow attached. One of black velvet is trimmed with astrakhan and rosettes and loop bows of ribbon with linings of bright primrose satin.

Usters and English long coats are made of different autumn fabrics, and are richly garnished with silk cord appliques made so fine and delicate as to greatly resemble embroidery when set upon the wrap.

For the neck and wrists of traveling dresses, the inside fold is now made of reppé pique cut on the bias. At least an inch of the fold shows above the collar of the dress—a severe style that is not becoming to many.

Tinsel is not as popular for ordinary dress trimmings and bonnets, but is now largely used for evening robes, wraps, and for the smaller articles of a woman's toilet. Many handsome black fans are decorated with it.

Arrasene embroidery makes a rich and stylish trimming for cashmere and wool house dresses. The work is quickly done, and small flowers of brilliant colors, mingled with leaf sprays and mosses, produce a very beautiful effect with comparatively a small outlay of means or labor.

Two thousand bonnet heads have been shipped from San Francisco to China. There they will be converted into various kinds of medicines, which sell very high. A load is placed in a flask of whiskey for several weeks and the stuff is then sold as a tonic.

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The Prize List.

CLASS 1.—DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter in crock (tubs or skins, not less than 30 lbs. best, G. H. Wells; 2nd, Edgar Dixon; 3rd, Thos. Babcock; 4th, Albert Anderson.

Butter, sample, in roll, 10 lbs. best, Chapman Harper; 2nd, Bliss Anderson; 3rd, Willard Easterbrook; 4th, Josephine Carter.

Cheese, domestic make, best, Joshua Etter; 2nd, Bliss Anderson.

CLASS 2.—FARM PRODUCE.

Wheat, best, J. T. Carter; 2nd, Eugene Bowser.

Barley, best, Sanford Barnes; 2nd, Willard Wry.

Oats, white, best, Eugene Bowser; 2nd, Eugene Bowser.

Black, best, Chas. Etter; 2nd, Eugene Bowser.

Buckwheat, rough, best, Eugene Bowser; 2nd, W. F. George.

Buckwheat, grey, best, Eugene Bowser; 2nd, Geo. A. Fawcett.

Field peas, best, Eugene Bowser; 2nd, Sanford Barnes.

Beans, best, J. R. Inch; 2nd, Charles George.

Timothy seed, best, Albert Fawcett; 2nd, Eugene Bowser.

CLASS 3.—HORTICULTURE, FRUIT AND FLOWERS.

Cabbage, mammoth, best three, H. Humphrey; 2nd, Thos. Dixon.

Cabbage, other than mammoth, best three, H. Humphrey; 2nd, J. R. Inch.

Heaviest single Cabbage, best, Thos. Dixon.

Cauliflowers, best two, Eugene Bowser.

Hubbard Squash, best two, Thos. Babcock; 2nd, John Fawcett.

Marrow or Turban Squash, best two, H. B. Allison; 2nd, R. K. Patterson.

Mammoth Squash, best two, Eugene Bowser.

Parsnips, best twelve, Henry Trueman; 2nd, J. R. Inch.

Pumpkins, best two, Oliver Wry; 2nd, Thos. Babcock.

Citron Melon, best, Eugene Bowser.

Long Blood Beets, best twelve, Jos. L. Black; 2nd, J. R. Inch.

Blond Turnip Beets, best twelve, J. R. Inch; 2nd, Eugene Bowser.

Egyptian Beets, best twelve, Henry Trueman; 2nd, H. Allison.

Half Long Carrot, best twelve, J. R. Inch; 2nd, Edgar Dixon.

Long Orange Carrot, best twelve, Henry Trueman; 2nd, Eugene Bowser.

White Carrot, best twelve, Henry Trueman; 2nd, Josiah Wood.

Mangold Wurzel, best twelve, W. F. Fawcett; 2nd, Chas. Fawcett.

Swedish Turnips, best twelve, J. R. Inch; 2nd, H. Humphrey.

Aberdeen, Yellow, best twelve, W. F. George; 2nd, Eugene Bowser.

Onions, Potato, best 25, Henry Trueman; 2nd, Geo. A. Fawcett.

Potatoes, for table use, best, Hiram Trenholm; 2nd, Geo. A. Fawcett.

Potatoes, Early Rose, best, Douglas Fullerton; 2nd, Thos. Dixon.

Potatoes, Breese's, Praline, best, H. Humphrey; 2nd, Ovid Weldon.

Potatoes, for stock use, best, Thos. Dixon; 2nd, Oliver Wry.

Tomatoes, ripe, best half-dozen, M. G. Cole; 2nd, Chas. George.

Tomatoes, best collection, R. E. Patterson; 2nd, H. B. Allison.

Planting of horticulture, not less than ten, best, Eugene Bowser; 2nd, H. Humphrey.

Flowers in pots, collection of variety, best, H. Humphrey; 2nd, Thos. Babcock.

Assortment of cut flowers, best, Thos. Babcock; 2nd, Josephine Carter.

CLASS 4.—POULTRY, MANUFACTURES.

Cloth, 10 yds. cotton and wool twilling, grey, best, Hiram Trenholm; 2nd, Willard Thompson.

Cloth, 10 yds. cotton, plain grey, best, Hiram Trenholm; 2nd, Josiah Wood.

Cloth, 10 yds. wool, twilled, fancy colored, best, George Etter; 2nd, Charles Wells.

Flannel, plain, best, Willard Wry; 2nd, Hiram Trenholm.

Flannel, cotton and wool, twilled, white, best, Hiram Trenholm; 2nd, Geo. Etter.

Blankets, woollen, plain, best pair, J. B. Etter; 2nd, Thos. Lowerson.

Blankets, cotton and wool, plain, best pair, Charles C. Wells; 2nd, Josiah Wood.

Horse Rug, woollen, best, Rupert Etter; 2nd, Charles C. Wells.

Carpet, yarn, 10 yds. best, Mrs. Thos. Tingley; 2nd, Chas. C. Wells.

Carpet, rag, 10 yds. best, Mrs. Thos. J. Etter; 2nd, Mrs. Josiah Etter.

Carpet, yarn, 10 yds. best, Charles C. Wells; 2nd, A. B. Bowser.

Mitts, double, 2 pairs, woollen, best, Willard Thompson; 2nd, Charles Dixon.

Socks, 2 pairs, wool, best, H. B. Bowser; 2nd, Charles C. Wells.

Knit Gloves, woollen, best, Charles C. Wells; 2nd, George Etter.

Gentlemen's White Shirts, best, H. M. A. Lowerson; 2nd, George Etter.

CLASS 5.—LADIES' FANCY WORK AND PICTURES.

Crochet work, in wool, specimen, best, M. G. Cole; 2nd, George Etter.

Crochet work, in cotton, specimen, best, Mrs. Thos. Babcock; 2nd, Maud Lowerson.

Crochet work, in cotton and wool, best, H. M. Richardson; 2nd, R. K. Patterson.

Netting, specimen, best, Josephine Carter.

Netting, darned, specimen, best, H. M. Richardson; 2nd, M. A. Lowerson.

Patchwork Cushion, best, Mrs. James Etter; 2nd, George Etter.

Crowd Work, specimen, best, R. T. McCready; 2nd, George Etter.

Cretenne Work, specimen, best, R. R. Patterson; 2nd, H. M. Richardson.

Macrame Work, best, M. A. Lowerson; 2nd, Fred Thompson.

Tattoo, specimen, best, Josephine Carter.

Fancy Knitting, in wool, best, W. F. Fawcett; 2nd, M. M. Lowerson.

Fancy Knitting, in cotton, best, W. F. Fawcett; 2nd, H. Humphrey.

Raised Work, in wool, best, M. G. Cole; 2nd, Thos. Dixon.

Hair Work, best, Willard Thompson; 2nd, M. A. Lowerson.

Moss Work, best, Charles Thompson; 2nd, Willard Thompson.

Leather Work, best, Willard Thompson; 2nd, Willard Thompson.

Braid Work, best, Charles Hicks; 2nd, H. M. Lowerson.

Embroidery, other than in flannel, best, George Etter.

Embroidered Flannel, best, R. McCready; 2nd, R. K. Patterson.

Head Work, best, R. T. McCready; 2nd, H. N. Richardson.

Wax Work, best, Thos. Wheaton; 2nd, C. P. McCready.

Fancy Frames for Pictures, best, Willard Thompson; 2nd, Willard Thompson.

Autumn Leaves, best collection, Willard Thompson; 2nd, Charles Thompson.

Pictures in Frames, not less than three, best, Ovid Weldon.

Judges—Mrs. Bliss, Mrs. A. B. Black, Mrs. D. G. Dickson.

CLASS 6.—OTHER MANUFACTURES OF THE PRESENT YEAR.

Harness Leather, three sides, best, Hazen Goodwin.

Upper Leather, three sides, best, Hazen Goodwin.

Calf Skins, six, best, Hazen Goodwin.

Jig Saw work, specimen, best, J. L. Black.

Judges—Samuel Sharpe, Edwin Copp, Alfred L. Smith.

CLASS 7.—HORSES.

Best Stallion for road purposes, 3 years and upwards, Ira H. Patterson.

Best family carriage horse, H. E. Fawcett; 2nd, J. A. McQueen.

Best Roadster of any age, Thos. Etter; 2nd, H. Seaman.

Best 4 year old Roadster, Thos. Etter; 2nd, W. F. George.

Best 3 year old Roadster, J. H. Wright; 2nd, Harris Chapman.

Best 2 year old Roadster, Chapman Harper; 2nd, Chas. Thompson.

Best 1 year old Roadster, W. E. Barnes; 2nd, Wm. Prescott.

Best draught Stallion, 3 years old and upwards, J. W. Bell; 2nd, Harmon Humphrey.

Best pair of draught Horses tested to wagon, Albert Dobson; 2nd, Wm. George.

Best 4 year old draught Horses, Walter Irvine; 2nd, Albert Smith.

Best 3 year old draught Horses, Albert T. Patterson; 2nd, Chas. W. Wells.

Best 2 year old draught Horse, Albert Smith; 2nd, Josiah Etter.

Best 1 year old draught Horse, George Wells; 2nd, W. E. Barnes.

Best brood mare for agricultural purpose and draught, Albert Smith; 2nd, Albert Anderson.

Best brood mare for road purpose, Thos. C. Patterson; 2nd, Chas. Fawcett.

Judges—Dr. F. G. Hart, A. B. Black, Job Styles.

CLASS 8.—CATTLE, SHORT HORN.

Best Bull, 3 years old and upwards, J. Wood.

Best Bull, two years old, H. Trueman; 2nd, John Fawcett; 3rd, J. Wood.

Best Bull, one year old, J. Wood.

Best Bull calf, W. F. Fawcett; 2nd, J. Wood; 3rd, W. F. Fawcett.

Best Heifer, 3 years old, W. W. Fawcett; 2nd, Albert Fawcett.

Best Heifer, 2 years old, J. Wood; 2nd, Thos. Etter; 3rd, Albert Fawcett.

Best Heifer, one year old, Albert Fawcett; 2nd, J. Wood; 3rd, Chas. Fawcett.

Best Heifer calf, J. Wood; 2nd, C. Fawcett; 3rd, Albert Fawcett.

CLASS 9.—HORSES.

Best Bull, 3 years old and upwards, W. F. George.

Best Cow, C. Fawcett.

Best Heifer, 3 years old, Alfred Dixon.

Best Heifer, 2 years old, C. Fawcett.

Best Heifer calf, C. Fawcett; 2nd, A. B. Dixon; 3rd, W. F. George.

CLASS 11.—JERSEYS.

Best Bull, 3 years old and upwards, W. Wry.

Best Bull, 1 year old, C. P. McCready.

Best Bull calf, J. Wood.

Best Cow, J. Ford; 2nd, J. Wood; A. E. Botsford.

Best Heifer, 3 years old, J. L. Black.

Best Heifer calf, A. E. Botsford; 2nd, J. Ford.

CLASS 12.—GRASSES AND CROPPERS.

Best Bull, 3 years old and upwards, Frank Siddall.

Best Bull, 2 years old, J. B. Etter; 2nd, Reuben Thompson.

Best Bull, 1 year old, Chas. George; 2nd, F. A. Dixon.

Best Bull calf, Albert Dobson; 2nd, Albert Fawcett.

Best pair Oxen and Steers, Rupert Etter; 2nd, Amos Ogden; 3rd, Thos. Dixon.

Best pair, 3 year old Steers, Bliss Anderson.

Best pair, 2 year old Steers, Bliss Anderson; 2nd, A. B. Bowser; 3rd, Josiah Etter.

Best pair Steer Calves, Albert Smith; 2nd, Chas. George; 3rd, F. A. Dixon.

Best Ox or steer, 2 years old, Wm. George; 2nd, Thos. Etter; 3rd, F. A. Dixon.

Best Steer, 3 years old, Albert Dobson; 2nd, Thos. Patterson; 3rd, Charles Etter.

Best Steer, 2 years old, Thos. Lowerson; 2nd, Albert Dobson; 3rd, Thos. Dixon.

Best Steer calf, C. H. Wells; 2nd, Edgar Dixon; 3rd, H. B. Bowser.

Best Cow for milk and breeding, Thos. Etter; 2nd, H. B. Bowser; 3rd, F. A. Dixon.

Best 3 year old cow in milk, Bliss Anderson; 2nd, Wm. Patterson; 3rd, J. Wood.

Best 2 year old Heifer, Chas. Fawcett; 2nd, W. F. George; 3rd, James Lowerson.

Edgar Dixon; 3rd, W. F. George.

Judges—A. B. Pipes, Robert Scott, Thos. Lowerson.

CLASS 13.—SHEEP.

Best Shropshire Ram, B. Beharrel; 2nd, Thos. Etter.

Best Ewe, C. McCready; 2nd, C. H. Wells.

Best Carling Ewe, R. T. McCready; 2nd, A. B. Bowser.

Best Ewe Lamb, C. H. McCready; 2nd, Reuben Thompson.

Best Ewe of any age, Obed Tingley; 2nd, Albert Fawcett.

Best Yearling Buck, Frank Dobson; 2nd, B. Beharrel.

Best Ram Lamb, Geo. Etter; 2nd, Frank Dobson.

Judges—Thos. Pickard, Rev. Donald Bliss, Charles Baker.

CLASS 14.—POULTRY.

Best pair Geese, Thos. Lowerson; 2nd, Reuben Thompson.

Best pair Turkeys, C. F. McCready; 2nd, Willard Thompson.

Best pair Ducks, Reuben Thompson; 2nd, Thos. Dixon.

Best pair Dorkings, Reuben Thompson; 2nd, John A. Richardson.

Among the exhibits for which no prizes were offered, the Davis Vertical Feed Sewing Machine, briefly mentioned last week, is deserving of special mention.

It was shown in operation and produced a wonderful variety of embroidery in addition to the plain and fancy stitching, using all kinds of thread from the finest cotton to the coarsest linen.

The machine was done with remarkable ease, the operator having only to place the cloth in the machine and run the treadle.

The machine guided the cloth and produced beautiful samples of trimming, besides proving its ability to sew through several thicknesses of the heaviest tweeds, and even harness leather.

It is needless to say that the "Davis" and its work attracted a large amount of attention, as did the other exhibits of the Organ.

Through its sweet strains occasionally echoed through the building. The case of the instrument exhibited was of a handsome new design, and the facility with which the music was changed from a faint whisper to its fullest tones attracted much of the attention of the audience.

The agent of these popular machines and organs—Mr. C. E. Freeman, of Amherst—will be happy to exhibit them at any time. See his ad.

Leipzig.

Mr. H. Webster, A. B., of Mt. Allison, has been spending the summer at the Leipzig University in Germany, where he was introduced by several professors of Edinburgh.

He has been doing special work in Pathology and Physiology. We publish a few notes taken from a private letter of Mr. Webster.

I feel quite at home in Leipzig. I think I would rather live in Germany than in Scotland. I like the customs of the people very much. On the whole, the Germans compare very favorably with the British. The men are not as good, but the women are better. The women are more industrious and more frugal, as a rule, than there is a conceited and embarrassing manner about many of them. They are constantly doing good.

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