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NORTHWEST CROP PROSPECTS.

INFORMATION lately received from several independent and reliable sources shows that the crops in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories are most abundant, and that the damage caused by frost is very trifling, as compared with the accounts previously furnished.

Hon. McKenzie Bowell, Minister of Customs, has just returned from a six weeks trip through Manitoba, the Northwest and British Columbia, and he declares that, judging from personal observation and from information obtained from those who had made a thorough survey of the grain-producing sections, the crops are the best he ever saw anywhere. Premier Greenway, of Manitoba, has also been heard from, and he corroborates the statements made by the Minister of Customs, and positively states that the damage by frost is very slight. Another witness, who could have no object in giving anything but reliable evidence, is Mr. Moore, of the London *Times*, who has been enquiring into the question of the crops in Manitoba and the Northwest for his own satisfaction, and he unhesitatingly declares that the cereal crops in those regions are abundant and excellent.

Grouping together the evidence of these gentlemen, it can be assumed, with a reasonable degree of certainty, after making all due allowance, that about four millions of the estimated fifteen million bushels surplus wheat in Manitoba and Assinaboia have been, to some slight extent, damaged by frost. The damage to this grain would probably reduce its selling price by about twenty cents a bushel. Now the total value of the crops on the spot is estimated at about $12,800,000; consequently the loss would be small in comparison with the enormous sum realized on the whole.

Another authority that may be cited regarding these crops is Mr Fream, a Professor in the Agricultural College at Dounton, England, and agricultural editor of the London *Morning Post*. This gentleman has been investigating the quality of the land all through the Northwest, right to the Pacific coast, and he puts himself on record as most favorably impressed with the capabilities, resources and progress of those sections of country. After speaking in terms of the highest praise of the Northwest ranches, he refers as follows to the export trade:

"The export trade of live stock from Alberta to Great Britain is a trade which began only last year, and has grown rapidly. This season over 4,000 cattle will be sent across the ocean. The cost of transit from Calgary to Liverpool is about $30 per head, and the journey occupies a month. The Argentine Republic is one of the most powerful competitors Canada has in the British meat market. But the fact that Canada can place live cattle on the market, while the Argentine Republic, being on the other side of the equator, can send only dead meat, is a circumstance that must operate powerfully in favor of Canadian trade."

In addition to all these, railway managers report the necessity for enlarging their carrying facilities; and hundreds of extra cars for transport have been added to the rolling stock, while all along the line there is a general tendency to activity.

Mr. McDonald, a member of the Chicago Board of Trade, has recently visited the Province of Manitoba, and made careful enquiries as to the barley crop; and he says the quality of the barley raised in that Province is far superior to any raised in the United States this year. He believes the yield of barley in Manitoba will be about 4,000,000 bushels.

SIR JOHN THOMPSON SPEAKS.

AT the last session of the Quebec Legislature an Act was passed abolishing the Circuit Court in the district of Montreal, and establishing in its stead a "District Magistrates Court," and providing for the appointment of three judges, to be known as district magistrates. The Circuit Court came under the jurisdiction of the judges of the Superior Court of Quebec, and, of course, the establishment of such courts, and the appointment of judges to officiate therein, pertained to the Federal Government, according to the B. N. A. Act; consequently, when the Act came before the Dominion Government it was, on the advice or the Minister of Justice, disallowed by the Governor-General in Council, as being *ultra vires* the Provincial Legislature.

When this decision was made known, Premier Mercier, Mr. Laurier and their friends in Quebec raised a great hue and cry against the Government of Sir John Macdonald, and in the recent election campaign in Montreal East tried to make capital out of this question, by telling the people that the disallowance of this Act was an insult to the Province of Quebec, and that such a course would not be pursued regarding any other Province.

In the midst of all this, Sir John Thompson, Minister of Justice, on whose advice the Act had been vetoed, came down to Montreal, and, on the 24th ult., addressed a meeting of several thousand people. His speech bristled with facts, and was a powerful presentment of the legal aspects of the case. He showed the utter fallacy of the contention of Mercier and Laurier, that the veto power in this case was exercised because the Government at Ottawa was Liberal-Conservative, and the Quebec Government was opposed to it. He pointed out that this power had been exercised much more frequently by the McKenzie Government, in proportion to the duration of its term of office, than it had been by the present Government; and that Mr. Fournier and Mr. Dorion, both sons of Quebec, who had been raised to the Bench by the Grits, had, when Ministers of Justice, been most unsparing in their use of this prerogative.

Regarding the case in question, he showed that no other course was open to him, as Minister of Justice, than to advise its disallowance, or have its validity tested in the courts. This latter course would necessitate an appeal to the Privy Council, and would also involve a large expenditure of money.. Besides, it would be two years, at least, before it could be decided. During all this time the court established by the Act would be administering the laws without jurisdiction. This was a responsibility he, as Minister of Justice, did not wish to be accountable for.

He threw down the challenge to Mr. Laurier and his friends, that if they wished to arraign him before Parliament he would be there to meet them, and to argue the case on its merits. It is not very likely that Mr. Laurier will accept Sir John Thompson's challenge. The speech of the Minister of Justice on this occasion is said to be one of the finest ever delivered in Montreal. It was the speech of a statesman and a great jurist on behalf of the institutions of our country, when these had been attacked by designing politicians.

THE ELECTION IN MONTREAL.

THE election which took place in Montreal East, on Wednesday last, to fill the vacancy in the House of Commons caused by the death of Mr. Cursol, resulted in the return of Mr. Lepine by a majority of nearly seven hundred over Mr. Poirier, Grit and Rielite. Montreal East is by far the largest constituency in Canada, having a population of about fifty thousand people, mostly made up of workingmen, and nearly all French Canadians.

When the vacancy occurred the workingmen demanded that they should have a candidate of their own. To this the Liberal-Conservatives made no objection, and Mr. Lepine was chosen to represent the workingmen. It would be supposed that under these circumstances there would be no contest, and that Mr. Lepine would be elected by acclamation. Not so, however; the Grits asked Mr. Lepine to pledge himself to vote against the Government of Sir John Macdonald on all occasions. This he refused to do, saying he would vote with the Government on all questions which he thought right. He also made the statement that he was in favor of the National Policy. Having given expression to these views, the Grits, of course, thought no more of the workingmen's claim to representation, and brought out, in opposition to Mr. Lepine, Mr. Poirier, one of the dismissed translators, who had written such vile things against the Quebec ministers in the Dominion Cabinet, because they had permitted the law to take its course in the case of Louis Riel.

Mr. Laurier, leader of the Opposition in Canada, Mr. Mercier, Premier of Quebec, and several other leading Grits took charge of Mr. Poirier's campaign, and made the most violent appeals against the Federal Government. The race and revenge cry was worked for all it was worth. These men besought the electors to vote against Sir John Macdonald's Government, because he had allowed Riel to be executed. Another cry raised against the Government was the disallowing of the Magistrates' Courts' Act, passed by the Quebec Legislature during its last session. The worst passions of the people were appealed to in the hope of electing Mr. Poirier, who said his sole aim to get to Ottawa was to destroy the influence of Secretary of State Chapleau.

When the Liberal-Conservatives saw the course things had taken, they took the field in behalf of Mr. Lepine. Sir John Thompson, Sir Adolphe Caron, Hon. Mr. Chapleau, and Mr. Curran, M. P. for Montreal Centre, addressed the people at public meetings, and pointed out to them the fallacy of the arguments used by their opponents. In a powerful speech Sir John Thompson explained the question of disallowance in a way it could not be misunderstood, and, in the most complete manner, shattered the sophistry of Mr. Laurier. The result was that Mr. Lepine was elected with the handsome majority above mentioned. In this election the workingmen of Montreal East have done themselves the greatest honor, and have shown that they have minds of their own, and are not to be carried away by the appeals for revenge and the frothy declamations of demagogues.

IN the case of Pitcher, absconding teller of the Union Bank of Providence, tried in Montreal, Chief Justice Dorion, of the Court of Queens Bench, ordered that the gold mentioned in the indictment should be returned to the Bank from which it was stolen. Regarding the drafts on London and Paris he decided they should be recovered in the civil courts.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

LATE Winnipeg advices state that the price of wheat had reached one dollar a bushel, and that the demand was still active.

IMMIGRATION returns show that the actual settlers up to September numbered sixty-two thousand, being an increase of ten thousand over the same period last year.

THE Nova Scotia Sugar Refinery has just paid off the balance of the mortgage held by the Merchant's Bank. Within two years it has paid off $200,000 debt. The stock is now held at two hundred.

No information has been received at the Marine Department respecting the reported seizure of the sealing schooner Arauman, Captain Sieward, in the Northern Pacific ocean on the 1st July last by the Alaska Commercial Company's steamer Alexander II.

THE Alaskan papers intimate that at Ounalaska it is understood no seizures will be made in Behring sea this season. This would seem to be confirmed by a letter which has reached the Government from Collector Hamley, of Victoria, who states that two British Columbia sealers had arrived from Behring's sea with good cargoes, the captains of which stated that they were "spoken" by the United States revenue cutter Russia, and were simply asked what kind of weather they experienced.

OUR exchanges from British Columbia speak enthusiastically of their black cod fishery. The Victoria *Colonist* describes the experimental voyage just completed by the schooner *Theresa*, and gives the experience of Capt. Oleson, her commander, who found both the fish and the fishery surpassed even his high expectations. Already preparations are being made to fit out other vessels. Rich as is the marine harvest of Canada on its Atlantic shore, there seems a probability of its being outrivalled on the Pacific coast. The varied resources of our Dominion are apparently almost limitless.—*Empire.*

GENERAL LAURIE will fight it out in Shelburne with the most popular Grit in the county. Mr. Johnston is a well-off business man, who does not take politics seriously, and who has been a member of the Local Government for the fun of it during several years. He has not one-tenth of the ability of General Laurie, and knows nothing, and probably cares less about Canadian national affairs. He follows his leaders with good-natured complacency, and never made a speech in his life—not even a five minutes address on the need of bridges in Shelburne. Gen. Laurie ought to be elected over such a man, for though the merchant is a pleasant old fellow, he would be no good at Ottawa.—*St. John Sun.*

SOLEMN SERVICES FOR THE DEAD.

THE devotions on behalf of the faithful departed, which, in accordance with the wishes of His Holiness Leo XIII, took place on last Sunday in all the Catholic Churches of the world, were well carried out and largely attended in St. Dunstan's Cathedral. The sanctuary, the altars and the Bishop's throne were draped in Black, in keeping with the solemnity of the occasion. A Catafalque, surrounded by tapers, occupied a place in the aisle before the High Altar. On Saturday the confessionals were thronged and six priests were kept busy from about half past one o'clock in the afternoon till after 11 o'clock at night. Confessions were also heard from an early hour on Sunday morning till ten o'clock. The first Mass on Sunday morning was said at seven o'clock, and at this and all succeeding Masses large numbers approached the altar. The number of persons who approached the Sacraments of Penance and the Eucharist is estimated at about twelve hundred. At ten o'clock a Solemn Pontifical Requiem Mass was celebrated by His Lordship the Bishop, assisted by Rev. John A. McDonald as arch-priest, Revds. J. C. McLean and P. A. McElmeel as deacon and sub-deacon, and Rev. F. X. Gallant as Master of Ceremonies. An appropriate sermon was preached by Rev. Father Gallant, who took his text from these words of the book of Job, xix., 21: "Have mercy on me! have mercy on me! at least you, my friends, for the hand of the Lord hath touched me." The Rev. Preacher explained the doctrine of Purgatory, and showed how intense must be the suffering of the souls there detained. He pointed out how, in his great wisdom, the Pope made use of this occasion in connection with his own jubilee celebration to open the treasures of the Church to those suffering souls. After Mass His Lordship and attendant clergy approached the Catafaque, where, after the singing of the *Libera* by the choir, he pronounced the absolutions. The musical portion of the service was well rendered by the choir, Mr. Blanchard presiding at the organ.

The Allan Line steamer *Parisian*, on her way from Liverpool to Rimouski, had a narrow escape from a probably fatal accident on Friday last. On the Wednesday previous the dense fog which had prevailed during the first five days of the passage lightened up for a few minutes, when rocks and breakers were discovered dead ahead, two or three lengths of the ship away. The engines were immediately reversed and the ship was as soon as possible headed for sea. The fog having again settled down, she was hove to. The fog continued until Friday afternoon. On this same day the steamer *Lake Huron*, from Quebec for Liverpool, emerged from the fog and ran across the bows of the *Parisian* in such proximity that a collision was barely avoided. The fog rose shortly afterward, and the *Parisian* proceeded on her way to Rimouski, where she arrived on Sunday morning.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

KING'S COUNTY EXHIBITION.

THE Exhibition and Cattle Show for King's County which took place at Georgetown on Thursday last, the 27th ult., was quite a success. The weather was all that could be desired, and, notwithstanding the fact that, on account of the late harvest, such a fine day was of the greatest value to the farmers, there was a large gathering of the yeomanry of King's County present at the Exhibiton. The number of exhibits was not so large as on some previous years, but the selections were good, and, all things considered, the Exhibition reflected much credit on Chairman Gordon, Secretary Owen and the other Commissioners who had charge of it.

About 11 o'clock the train from Charlottetown arrived, bringing His Honor Lieut. Governor McDonald and Mrs. McDonald, Lieut. Col. Irving, A. D. C., Hon. D. Ferguson, Hon. G. W. Bentley, L. C. Owen, Esq., Messrs. Richard Hunt, C. C. Gardiner, representatives of the press from Charlottetown and Summerside, and several other ladies and gentlemen. Shortly after 11 o'clock His Honor was escorted to the Drill Shed, when the following address, read by Hon. D. Gordon, Chairman of the Exhibition Commissioners, was presented to him:

To the Honorable Andrew A. Macdonald, Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOR.—We, the Commissioners appointed to manage the Exhibition of King's County, 1888, are gratified to meet with your Honor on this occasion, and from the interest heretofore taken by you in the progress of our farming and industrial pursuits, we entertain the hope that your Honor will be much pleased with the indications of advancement made since our last meeting.

We regret that, owing to the very late harvest, the exhibits of cereals will scarcely come up to the standard of former fairs, that is to say, as regards the number of samples exhibited, but the quality will be found equal to the best ever grown on this Island.

It will also be observed that the display of fruits in the several sections is not so large as could be desired, for the reason that our Exhibition is held at a time when these productions are not fully matured.

The exhibits in the departments allotted to Roots and Vegetables will be found on inspection to compare favorably with those shown at any former exhibitions in this County.

The show of Horses and Cattle, especially the former, will be viewed as most satisfactory, giving evidence of improvement in stock raising. This result, we venture to say, has been attained by careful and judicious expenditure of the annual grants provided by the legislature of the Province. The Commissioners respectfully submit that in future it is most desirable that those grants be increased to an amount commensurate to the resources of the Province. The importance of encouraging and fostering agricultural enterprise is, at the present time, more apparent than ever before in the history of this section of the Dominion.

When it is borne in mind that our fisheries have been destroyed, made waste by the depredations of those who are not of our country, it becomes an imperative duty that encouragement be given to our hardy fishermen to turn their labor to the direction of cultivating the soil, in order to obtain the means of subsistence of which they have been deprived.

On reviewing the returns from the labors of the husbandman and the artisan, for the past year, we feel that the people of this Province have much cause for thankfulness. The season now about to close has been a period of continual prosperity, and the harvest now being gathered is most abundant.

We now desire to tender our assurance of respect and regard for your Honor personally.

In conclusion, we now request you to open this exhibition to the public.

For self and County Commissioners,

D. GORDON, Chairman.

Exhibition Building,
Georgetown, Sept. 27, 1888.

His Honor replied at considerable length. He thanked them for the address which had just been read and for the honor they had done him in inviting him, now for the fourth time, to open the Exhibition in King's County—the county of his birth and childhood. He expressed himself as highly pleased with the many evidences of improvement in agriculture which he perceived in the county from year to year. In view of the fact that we had such a beautiful and productive Province, it was to be regretted that more of our youug men would not remain at home and settle on the farms which had been procured for them. Having conveyed to the Commissioners the thanks of the Government for the manner in which they had performed their duties, he proclaimed the Exhibition open by proposing three cheers for the Queen. This request met with a hearty response from those present. Cheers were also given for the Commissioners, for His Honor and for Mrs. Macdonald.

The horses attracted considerable attention. The only contestant in the "imported cart stallion" class, Hepburn Clyde, owned by Messrs. McMillan and Annear, was much admired. The prize winners in the carriage stallion class were Branch Pilot, owned by W. D. Shaw, Montague, who took first, and Abbe Lee, owned by Daniel Sinnott, Morell, who captured second prize. In the cart stallion class P. Brothers' Brown Stout took first money, with James McMillans Barrister second. Daniel Sinnott's bay mare took first prize, for the third time, for best "cart horse or mare," and A. A. Matheson's black Percheron took second. Want of space prevents us from referring particularly to the many other excellent horses present.

The Cattle Show was scarcely so large as last year, but many fine animals were shown. The show of Sheep was rather small but select. In the Drill Shed everything was tastefully arranged, and the display, if not as large in some exhibits as on former years, was in the highest degree creditable. Following is the

PRIZE LIST:

HORSES.

Best Imported Cart Stallion—Annear & McMillan, Lower Montague.

Best Carriage Stallion—Wm. D. Shaw, Montague; 2nd, Daniel Sinnot, Morell.

Best Cart Stallion—P. Brothers, Brothers' Road; 2nd, James McMillan, Summerville.

Best Cart Horse or Mare—Daniel Sinnot, Morell; 2nd, A. A. Matheson, Forest Hill.

Best Carriage Horse or Mare—Jas. Wickham, Summerville; 2nd, David Shaw, Brudenell.

Best Cart Mare with her Cart Foal—P. Walsh, Summerville; 2nd, Patrick Lawless, Little Pond.

Best Carriage Mare with her Carriage Foal—F. H. Sanderson, St. Peter's Bay.

Best Entire Carriage Colt under three years—Henry James, Midgell; 2nd, Chas. Sanderson, Greenwich.

Best Entire Cart Colt under two years—John Kaneen, New Perth; 2nd, M. Annear, Lower Montague.

Best Entire Carriage Colt under three years—Thomas Murphy, St. Mary's Road; 2nd, S. D. McNeill, Lorne Valley.

Best Cart Filly under three years—R. J. McKenzie, Dundas, 2nd, Malcolm Martin, Dundas.

Best Carriage Filly under three years—Mrs. J. Dingwell, Morell, 2nd, John M. McLean, New Perth.

Judges—Wm. J. Aitken, Bay Fortune; Lawrence Doyle, St. Peter's; Philip Francis, Dundas; James Bourke, Georgetown.

CATTLE.

Best Ayrshire Bull, any age — Leslie Poole, Lower Montague; 2nd, E. H. Ross, Union Road; 3rd, John Kaneen, New Perth.

Best Ayrshire Bull under three years—John T. McDonald, Lower Montague; 2nd, David Shaw, Brudenell.

Best Jersey Bull any age—Wm. Gordon, Brudenell; 2nd, Frank Sanderson, Greenwich.

Best Jersey Bull any age—Jas. C. Clow, Murray Harbor North.

Best Yearling Shorthorn Bull with registered pedigree—Geo. McDonald, New Perth.

Best Ayrshire Cow in milk—F. G. Bovyer, Georgetown Royalty; 2nd, do.

Best Shorthorn Cow in milk—Henry Gordon, Georgetown; 2nd, Robert Dewar, New Perth.

Best Shorthorn Bull Calf, calved in 1888—E. Brothers, Sparrow's Road; 2nd, Rob. Dewar, New Perth.

Best Ayrshire Bull Calf, calved in 1888—Leslie Poole, Lower Montague; 2nd, F. G. Bovyer, Royalty.

Best Ayrshire Heifer Calf, calved in 1888—Leslie Poole, Lower Montague.

Best Grade Cow in milk—Wm. Smith, Georgetown; 2nd, Jas. Wightman, Lower Montague.

Best Ayrshire Heifer under three years—Leslie Poole, Lower Montague; 2nd, Geo. McDonald, New Perth.

Best Shorthorn Heifer under three—Geo. McDonald, New Perth; 2nd, M. Hession, Georgetown.

Best Heifer under two years—Wm. Gordon, Brudenell; 2nd, F. G. Bovyer, Royalty.

Judges—Jas. Graham, Isaac Foster, John McDonald, Jas. McPhee.

SHEEP, LEICESTER AND COTSWOLD.

Best Ram, any age—David Reid, Baldwin's; 2nd, F. G. Bovyer, Royalty.

Best Yearling Ram—Michael Power, Summerville; 2nd, Wm. Cairns, Victoria Cross.

Best Ram Lamb—Robt. Dewar, New Perth; 2nd, F. G. Bovyer, Royalty.

Best pen of two Ewes having raised Lambs this season—F. G. Bovyer, Royalty; 2nd, Wm. Gordon, Brudenell.

Best pen of two Yearling Ewes; Robt. Dewar, New Perth; 2nd, F. G. Bovyer, Royalty.

SHROPSHIRE AND OTHER DOWNS.

Best Ram, any age—Robt. Dewar, New Perth; 2nd, F. G. Bovyer, Royalty.

Best Yearling Ram—F. G. Bovyer, Royalty; 2nd, do.

Best Ram Lamb—F. G. Bovyer, Royalty; 2nd, do.

Best pen of two Ewes having raised Lambs this season—Robt. Dewar, New Perth; 2nd, F. G. Bovyer, Royalty.

Best pen of two Ewe Lambs—F. G. Bovyer, Royalty; 2nd, do.

Best pen of two Yearling Ewes—F. G. Bovyer, Royalty; 2nd, do.

Judges—J. R. Coffin, Bay Fortune; Michael McDonald, Goose River; Alex. Campbell, Montague; John Ross, Union Road; Wm. Kaneen, New Perth.

PIGS.

Best Breeding Sow with litter of not less than four pigs under seven weeks old—James Sullivan, Sparrow's Road; 2nd, Jas. Phillips, Lower Montague; 3rd. Allan Hunter, Dundas.

Best Berkshire Boar Pig—Allan Hunter, Dundas; 2nd, Jas. Norton, Annandale.

Best Boar Pig, other breed—J. A. Annear, Lower Montague; 2nd, Leslie Poole, Lower Montague.

Best two Pigs under seven months, barrows excluded—Jas. Phillips, Lower Montague.

Judges—R. R. Jenkins, Donald J. Campbell, Chas. McCormack, Angus Nicholson, Wm. McPhee.

POULTRY.

Best Cock and two Pullets, white or brown Leghorn—A. Tapper, Georgetown.

Best Cock and two Pullets, light or dark Brahma—John Owen, Georgetown.

Best Cock and two Pullets, other breeds—Michael Murphy, Sturgeon; 2nd, do.

Best pair Ducks—Mrs. John A. Dewar, New Perth; 2nd, do.

Best pair Geese—Sullivan Henry, Georgetown; 2nd, Mrs. D. McKinnon, Brooklyn.

Judges—Donald Stewart, Wm. Darinez, Angus Morrison, W. McCannell.

GRAIN.

(Manufacture or production of King's County for 1888).

Best two bushels White Wheat with straw and heads—Geo. A. Peters, Lower Montague; 2nd, Wm. Moar, Brudenell.

Best two bushels Red Wheat—John Robertson, Lower Montague; 2nd, M. P. Robertson, Lower Montague.

Best two bushels two rowed Barley—John Robertson, Inkerman; 2nd, Thomas Henry, Georgetown.

Best two bushels Black Oats—Albert Dewar, Brudenell; 2nd, J. Robertson, Inkerman.

Best two bushels White Oats—J. Robertson, Inkerman; 2nd, Robert Dewar, Brudenell.

Best two bushels Buckwheat—Geo. A. Peters, Lower Montague; 2nd, J. Robertson, Inkerman.

Best half bushel White Beans—John Robertson, Inkerman.

Best half bushel Peas—John Robertson, Inkerman.

GRASS SEEDS.

Best ten pounds Red Clover—William McLaren, New Perth; 2nd, A. McLean, Dundas.

Best half bushel Timothy Seed—John McIntyre, Roseneath; 2nd, Vernon Shaw, Montague.

Judges—John French, Donald McIntyre, Donald A. McDonald, Nathaniel McPhee.

ROOTS AND VEGETABLES.

Best half dozen Swede Turnips, by weight—Frank McCormack, Cardigan.

Best half dozen Field Carrots—George A. Peters, Lower Montague.

Best half dozen Table Carrots—John Kennedy, Montague.

Best half dozen Beets—John McEachern, De Gros March.

Best half dozen Parsnips—John Annear, Lower Montague.

Best half dozen Onions—Geo. A. Peters, Lower Montague.

Best two pounds Shallots—Mrs. Joseph Wightman, St. Andrew's Point.

Best Mangold Wurtzel (heaviest half dozen)—J. Robertson, Inkerman.

Best three Cabbages, Drumhead—John Robertson, Inkerman.

Best Pumpkin (heaviest)—J. Robertson, Inkerman, 2nd, Percy Robertson, Inkerman.

Best Squash (heaviest)—John Robertson, Inkerman; 2nd, Percy Robertson, Inkerman.

Best collection of Vegetables, the growth of Exhibitor—John Robertson, Inkerman.

Best half bushel Early Rose Potatoes—George A. Peters, Lower Montague; 2nd Jas. Norton, Lower Montague.

Best half bushel White Potatoes—Mrs. E. Mellish, Union Road; 2nd, Richard Thompson, Albion Bay.

Best half bushel McIntyre Potatoes—James Norton, Lower Grand River; 2nd, Wm. McLellan, Georgetown Royalty.

Best half bushel Beauty of Hebron Potatoes—Robert Howlett, Annandale; 2nd, Wm. Munro, Commercial Cross.

Best one dozen Potatoes grown from seed balls 1887—John T. McDonald, Little Pond.

Best half bushel New Variety Potatoes (named)—Wm. Munro, Commercial Cross; 2nd, John McDonald, Commercial Cross.

Best 3 Cauliflowers—John Robertson, Inkerman.

SPECIAL PRIZES GIVEN BY G. F. OWEN, SECRETARY OF EXHIBITION.

Best half bushel Empire State Potatoes—Annie Stewart, Cardigan; 2nd, Daniel J. McCormack, Boughton Island.

Judges—Andrew Miller, John Cowan, J. McCannell, Jos. McRae, Geo. A. Parker.

FRUITS.

Best basket Apples, three kinds assorted, (named)—Mrs. R. McKenzie, Dundas; 2nd, J. Robertson, Inkerman.

Best basket Cooking Apples—William Thompson, Albion Mills; 2nd, Miss Annie Munro, Commercial Cross.

Best basket Eating Apples—M. P. Robertson, Lower Montague; 2nd, William Thompson, Albion Mills.

Best basket Crab Apples—John N. McDonald, Whim Road; 2nd, Mrs. Norton, Brudenell.

Best half gallon Plums—John Robertson, Inkerman.

Best half gallon Damsons—Ethel Owen, Cardigan.

Best collection of other Fruits.—John Robertson, Inkerman.

Judges—Miss Smith, Miss Easton, Mrs Jas. Keefe.

FLORICULTURE.

Best assortment Plants in Flower—Mrs. Norton, Brudenell; Best Geranium, Mrs. N. J. McDonald, Montague Mills; Best lot cut Flowers, do.

Judges—Same as for fruits.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Best tub or crock Salt Butter, not less than twenty pounds—Lillia McDonald, New Perth; 2nd, Mrs. Robert Dewar, do. 3rd, do.

Best basket new Butter, not less than five pounds—Mrs. Jas. Kelly; 2nd, Mrs. Robert Mellish, Union Road; 3rd, Mrs. George Stewart, Brudenell.

Best Cheese, not less than twelve pounds—Mrs. Alex. Robertson; 2nd. Mrs. John McDonald, New Perth; 3rd, Mrs. Alex. Robertson, Brudenell.

Judges—Philip McCormack, Mrs. Ron. McKenzie, Richard Gill, Lot 66, Mrs. Thomas Henry.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS.

Best Truck Wagon—John T. Gill, Elliotvale.

Best Plough—Peter Ross, Georgetown.

Best Horse Hay Fork—A. Brothers, Sparrow's Road.

Best new Improved Implement—W. A. Martin, Milltown.

Judges—A. Renton, John McKinnon, John Kearney, James Morrow.

Judges recommended a new and improved hay cutter, also seed separator, ploughs, and seed sower.

LEATHER AND HARNESS.

Best side Neats Leather—James N. Cogswell & Co., Georgetown.

Best side Grain Leather—do.

Best Calfskin—do.

Best side Harness Leather—do.

Best set Carriage Harness—J. M. Mitchell, Souris.

Best set Cart Harness—J. M. Mitchell, Souris.

Judges—A. Bruce, Red Point; Michael Smith, Dundas; Adam White, Sturgeon; Ezra Wickwire, Georgetown.

TEXTILE FABRICS IN WOOL.

Best ten yards Black Full Dress Cloth—Mrs. Nicholas Clarke, Lower Grand River; 2nd, Mrs. McIntyre, Cardigan Wharf; 3rd, Mrs. M. J. Campbell, Cardigan.

Best ten yards Grey Full Dress Cloth—Mrs. Walter Kelly, Roseneath; 2nd, Ellen Donahoe, Roseneath; 3rd, Alex. Cameron, New Perth.

Best ten yards Women's Wear (plain)—J. J. McDonald, Little Pond; 2nd, Sarah J. McDonald, do; 3rd, Effie C. McCormack, do.

Best ten yards Women's Wear (fancy)—Effie C. McCormack, Little Pond; 2nd, Theresa Campbell, Grand River; 3rd, Mrs. Angus McDonald, Whim Road.

Best ten yards Fancy Shirting (all wool)—Mrs. McLeod, Mitchell River; 2nd, Mrs. M. Walsh, Summerville.

Best ten yards White Flannel (twilled)—Mrs. Jas. Norton, Lower Grand River; 2nd, Mrs. John Kaneen, New Perth.

Best ten yards White Flannel (plain)—Miss Clara Norton, Annandale; 2nd, Mrs. John McEachern, DeGros Marsh.

Best ten yards Wool Carpet—Mrs. John McNeill, New Perth; 2nd, Mrs. Alexander Robertson, Brudenell.

Best Shawl—Mrs. M. J. Campbell, Cardigan.

Best pair Blankets—Mrs. John McKinnon, Rollo Bay.

Best Horse Rug—John McDonald, New Perth.

Best Knit or Woven Counterpane—Louisa J. Beck, Murray Harbor South.

Best Hearth Rug (all wool)—Harriet Miller, St. Peter's; 2nd, Mrs. Arthur Gordon, Roseneath; 3rd, Mrs. Melville McDonald, East Point.

Best Drugget Shirt—Mrs. Michael McDonald, Springfield; 2nd, Matthias McDonald, Launching.

Best two pairs Socks—Miss Clara Norton, Annandale; 2nd, E. Dixon, Annandale; 3rd, May Lavers, Georgetown.

Best two pairs Stockings—Miss Clara Norton, Annandale; 2nd, Lizzie McIntyre, Cardigan Wharf.

Best pair Winter Gloves—Mrs. George Lavers, Geogetown.

Best pair Winter Mitts—do.

Best collection of Knit Goods—Katie Kelly, Elliotvale.

Judges—Mrs. John Larkin, St. Peter's Bay; Mrs. Angus Morrison, Launching; Mrs. D. B. McPhee, Georgetown; Miss Anna McKinnon, Rollo Bay.

FLAX MANUFACTURE.

Best sample Flax (hackled)—Mrs. John McIntyre, Roseneath.

Best half dozen Grain Sacks—Mrs. Geo. McDonald, Narrows Creek.

Judges—Same as for Textile Fabrics.

FANCY WORK.

Best selection of Fancy Work in Wool—Mrs. John Larkin, St. Peters; 2nd, Miss Harriet Miller, St. Peter's; 3rd, Louisa J. Beck, Murray Harbor North.

Best selection of Lace Work—Mrs. B. Stewart, Montague; 2nd, do.

Best Fancy Work of other kinds—Ellen Moran, Newport; 2nd, Mrs. S. R. McLean, Georgetown.

Best Painting, framed—Mrs. Arch. McLean, Dundas.

Judges—Mrs. C. B. Poole, Lower Montague; Miss Emma O'Brien, Georgetown; A. C. McDonald, Montague.

FISH.

Best half-barrel Mackerel—A. A. McDodald & Bros., Georgetown.

Best quintal Codfish (dry)—Richard Jordan, Murray Harbor South.

Best quintal Hake (dry)—Caleb Jordan, Murray Harbor South; 2nd, Richard Jordan, do.

Best Box (twelve tins) Canned Lobsters—John A. McLaine, St. Peters; 2nd, A. A. McDonald & Bros., Georgetown.

Best box (twelve tins) other Canned Goods—Percy Robertson, Inkerman; 2nd, John Robertson, do.

Judges—Jas. Kelly, Lot 66; George Howlett, Narrows Creek; Wm. Allan, Georgetown.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Best half dozen Brick—Robert Stewart, Montague.

Best collection Edge and Pointed tools—Peter Ross, Georgetown.

Best one hundred pounds Flour—Otto Poole, Lower Montague; 2nd, John D. Poole, do.

Best one hundred pounds oatmeal—Otto Poole, Lower Montague; 2nd, John D. Poole, do.

Best selection Tin Work—D. F. Kennedy, Georgetown.

Judges—same as for fish.

THE TOBIQUE TRAGEDY.

THE trial of Trafton and Phillipine for the murder of Mrs. Howes, on the Tobique River a few weeks ago, was commenced at Andover, N. B., on the 25th ult., Judge Wetmore presiding. Attorney-General Blair conducts the case for the crown, and Mr. Gregory, of Fredericton, is counsel for the defence. Judge Wetmore charged the Grand Jury on the terrible and cruel nature of the tragedy. The Judge's address occupied about an hour.

On the following day the Grand Jury returned a true bill for murder against the prisoners, Trafton and Phillipine. On Thursday, the 27th ult., a jury was, after considerable challenging, empaneled, and Attorney-General Blair addressed the court on behalf of the crown. Major Howes, husband of the murdered woman, was put on the stand to give evidence relative to the shooting. He was subjected to a severe cross-examination by Mr. Gregory.

On Friday, the 28th, Annie Phillipine, sister of one of the prisoners, was put on the stand, and, to the amazement of the whole court, contradicted the statement she made before the magistrate, regarding her brother. When the Judge remonstrated with her she burst into tears, and had to be removed from the court room. When she returned to the court, in the afternoon, she declared that what she had said in the forenoon was all wrong, and that her statement before the magistrate was true. She further declared that she had been induced to make the false statement by some persons who met her at the court house door, and told her to deny that portion of her previous evidence which related to her brother. She saw one of the men in court who had told her to act thus. He was a Mr. Ellis, and the other, it appears, was a Mr. Lovely, who had been on the Grand Jury. The Judge ordered the Attorney-General to investigate the conduct of these men, and proceed against them if found guilty.

The crown closed its case on Saturday, having examined some twenty witnesses.

DEATH OF FATHER LEFLOCH.

The St. John *Sun* of the 26th ult., gives the following particulars relative to Father Lefloch's death:

On Friday afternoon last, while going to a sick call, Father Lefloch, parish priest of Grand Digue, Kent county, met with an accident which resulted in his death on Sunday evening. He had been called to Wisener settlement and had proceeded half a mile when a bolt fastening the shaft to the wagon got out of its place. The horse got frightened and the wagon was being tossed from one side of the road to the other. On nearing a small culvert, Father Lefloch jumped from the wagon and fell on the right side of his head. When the neighbors came to his rescue blood was rushing from his mouth, nose and ears. He was insensible and continued so nearly all the time up to the hour of his death. Doctors Leger and Belliveau went quickly to his assistance, but the decree had gone forth; nothing could save the saintly old man from the terrible doom.

Father Lefloch was born in France and came in 1873 to Montreal, where he received the order of the priesthood in 1876. He was superior of the Holy Cross college at St. Jerome, P. Q., for a couple of years, and was then stationed at Memramcook, from whence he was called to Shediac and Grand Digue cure in 1880, at the death of Father Ethier. Devoted to his church and to his flock, Father Lefloch was universally respected and beloved, and his sudden demise will be deeply lamented not only by his parishioners but also by all who saw and knew, him for he was a type of the true christian.

His funeral took place Tuesday morning at Grand Digue chapel. Father Lefloch was a member of the Holy Cross order, and aged 59 years. He died exactly eight years, day for day, after his predecessor, Father Ethier.

The *Moniteur Acadien* pays the following tribute to the deceased clergyman: Pleasant, affable, humble and charitable, he was a character who commanded the respect and veneration of all who approached him. The time that was left him from the exercise of his holy ministry was given to prayer. He was ever calm and serene, even in the midst of the most severe trials. Suffering from a disease of the eyes for many years, he submitted to several painful operations without a murmur. Devoting himself especially to the spiritual advancement of his parishioners he did not neglect their material interests, and the practical advice which he gave them would make a volume of great value. At the altar, in the pulpit, at the confessional, at the bedside of the sick he was a man of God par excellence. Everything in him breathed the love of his Divine Master. At Grande-Digue, as at Shediac, he worked with zeal and success to the saving of souls, to the advancement of religion and to the glory of God. Father Lefloch met death while bearing the holy sacrament to dying man. The same morning, as if he had a presentiment of his approaching end, he remained in adoration at the altar longer than was his custom.

THE REGATTA.

An interesting regatta took place in Charlottetown Harbor on Thursday last, in which a large number of boats took part. The races were to begin at nine o'clock, but owing to the heavy storm of the previous night some boats were driven ashore and could not be floated until high water; the time of starting was therefore somewhat retarded. The first race called was for yachts under 35 feet keel. The wind blew fresh at the time of starting, and a suitable opportunity was given the boats to test their speed. In this race there were three entries: The Surprise (Rocky Point Ferry boat), Lane; the Vixen, Dunn, from Summerside, and the Mystery, Laurie. Shortly after ten they started. The Surprsie got off without a mishap, but the Vixen's throat halyards gave way, and the Mystery's scudding sail fell into the water, causing some delay. But both boats soon got to rights again and continued on their course. The Surprise kept the lead throughout. The course was