INFORMATION FOR FARMERS

(Communications to be addressed to "Agricultural," Colonist.)

THE PAN-AMERICAN DAIRY TEST.

There is no other condition which the cows have to contend with which makes as much variation in the flow of milk as does that of atmospheric temperature. So long as the temperature is about the seventies the cows keep up a good, even flow of milk, but just as soon as the thermometer goes up to the eighties, down goes the milk, no matter what the feed is. Green corn, cut, and green millet have taken the place of silage for the past ten days and the cows were doing well on this feed until the present hot spell came upon us, which commenced on the 19th inst., and the cows are now suffering from the heat as much as they have done at any time since the test commenced, with a consequent shrinkage in milk. There is the greatest variation in the heavy milking breeds; they drop the most when the conditions are unfavorable, and they respond more quickly when the conditions are favorable. The week ending July 23rd was the most trying week of the season until the present, and when the cooler weather came in about the first of August there was a good increase in both milk and butter in most of the breeds, but at the present writing the thermometer stands from 85 degrees to 86 degrees and the milk has again fallen off badly. Up to the present time all the cows have been milked three times daily, 5 a. m., 12:30 p. m. and 8 p. m., but there has been much debating as to whether this is the wisest course under such trying conditions, with the result that three of the American herdsmen broke over the lines yesterday and are now milking twice per day. The result will be closely watched during the next month, as some claim that more milk and butter will be produced by three milkings than by two milkings, and those interested will do well to watch the result, which will be given from time to time as the test goes on.

During the cool weather the Holsteins made the greatest gains, with the exception of Meg, as she had a week's sickness, which put her back very much in her milk. The cost of feed, however, still keeps them down to 4th or 5th place on the butter test. The Guernsey, Mary Marshall, has again asserted her supremacy as queen of the barn, and headed the list with $2.09 profit, while last week she gave a profit of $2.37. The Jersey, Primrose, which headed the list two weeks ago with $2.33, stood second last week, $2.22 profit, and this week with $1.91.

The Jerseys as a breed, stood at the head last week with a lead of 95 cents, but they have lost heavily during the week ended, August 20th, and the Guernseys have increased their lead by 56 cents, making their total lead at present $6.66. It may not be generally understood how the Guernseys got such a lead of the Jerseys during the first month but in justice to the other breeds, it might be stated that the Guernseys all in fine working trim at the beginning of the test. Four of them freshened in April, (two of them after they arrived on the ground.) The Jersey, Primrose, had been milking two month before the test commenced, and Rexina did not calve until the end of the second week after the test commenced, and she was paying for her feed in the meantime, which put her back about $4.

The Red Polls are making a remarkably good record, and Mayflower holds second place on total profit since May 1st. Mary Marshall, (Guernsey) standing first with $39.06; Mayflower, (Red Poll), second, $33.79, and Primrose (Jersey), $33.66. The whole of the Red Polls in the test are owned by Capt. V. T. Hills, of Delaware, Ohio, who has made some remarkably good sales as a result of his cows' record here.

The Canadian cows, as a whole, are making a good record, and are a much finer lot of cows than their competitors, and they will all give a good account of themselves by the time the test is closed.

There are four prizes given in this test—one for most profit on estimated butter, as revealed by the Babcock tester, the butter valued at 25 cents per pound—one prize for most butter by the churn test; one prize for total solids in the milk valued at 9 cents per pound, and one prize for total solids plus the gain or loss in flesh of the cows valued at 3 cents per pound.

The first is creating the greatest interest and is the one on which the profits, so far, have been based and published. The churn test is not considered to be at all reliable on account of only one day's milk from each herd per week being separated and churned, the result for the week being estimated from that one day's churning. There are so many contingencies which might and do arise to affect the product of one particular day, that the result can only be approximate at best. The prize for total solids is based on the value of the milk as food, estimated from the wholesale price for city delivery, and in this, the sugar of the milk figures very largely, forming about 33 per cent of the total solids.

In the making of cheese the greater part of the sugar passes off in the whey, and comprises about 70 per cent of the solids in whey, and of which no account would be taken if a cheese test had been used as a basis for a prize, but in this test for total solids a pound of milk sugar figures the same as a pound of cassin or a pound of milk fat.

In the competition for this prize the order of the herds is completely changed, and at present writing they stand as follows:

Holsteins	$173.91	profit
Ayrshires	162.55	"
Brown Swiss	145.12	"
Shorthorn	145.08	"
Guernsey	143.35	"
Red Polls	142.00	"
Jerseys	133.36	"
French Canadian	124.76	"
Polled Jersey	103.79	"
Dutch Belted	96.76	"

When the test commenced there were only a few newspapers in the United States that took any notice of it, but there are now over 200 asking for reports from the Associated Press, thus showing the intense interest which has been created all over the country. At the World's Fair in 1893, the test extended over only three months, while this test is expected to cover a period of six months and it will be a test of endurance.

Standing of the herds in the butter fat test for the week ending August 20th:

Guernsey	$ 8.66	profit
Jersey	8.10	"
Ayrshires	7.62	"
Red Polled	7.37	"
Brown Swiss	6.97	"
Holstein	$6.82	"
Polled Jersey	6.47	"
French Canadians	6.17	"
Short Horn	5.93	"
Dutch Belted	5.06	"

JAS. STONEHOUSE,
Model Dairy,
Pan-American Exposition.

POULTRY ON THE FARM.

Prof. Gilbert, of Ottawa, Canada, in answer to the question, "Why Is Poultry Valuable to the Farmer?" gives the following reasons:

1. Because he ought, by their means, to convert a great deal of the waste of his farm into money in the shape of eggs and chickens for the market.

2. Because, with intelligent management, they ought to be all-year revenue-producers with the exception of perhaps two months during the moulting season.

3. Because poultry will yield him a quicker return for the capital invested than any of the other departmens of agriculture.

4. Because the manure from the poultry house will make a valuable compost for use either in vegetable garden or orchard. The birds, themselves, if allowed to run in plum or apple orchard, will destroy all injurious insect life.

5. Because, while cereals and fruit can only be successfully grown in certain sections, poultry can be raised for table use or layers of eggs in all parts of the country.

6. Because poultry raising is an employment in which the farmer's wife and daughters can engage, and leave him free to attend to other departments.

7. Because it will bring him the best results in the shape of new-laid eggs during the winter season, when the farmer has most time on his hands.

8. Because, to start poultry raising on the farm requires little or no capital. By good management poultry can be made, with very little cost, a valuable adjunct to the farm.

A PLEA FOR CLEANER MILKING.

As to the manner of milking practised by the average farmer, it is, I believe, in very few cases, conducted with proper cleanliness, and in some brought to my notice, too filthy to mention. Alluding briefly to the oft-repeated instructions as to clean stabling and brushing the flanks, I come to the absolute necessity of washing the udder always before milking, no matter how clean the teats may appear, for the oily portion of the milk from the last milking as well as the exudation from the skin of hands and teats in process of milking, dries on the teats, and can only be removed properly with warm water and a clean cloth. Wash one teat thoroughly this way and compare the color of it with the unwashed ones. Now, it takes but a small portion of excrementitious matter, which is loosened from an unclean teat by a man's hand in milking, and may be seen in yellowish drops on the sides of the bucket or on the milk, to give a distinctly bovine flavor to the butter, and until creameries exact this necessary cleanliness from their contributors, their product will never rank with that of a first class private dairy, like our Eastern ones, or one conducted on like system.

Now, from some quarters from the busy farmer who is trying to get through three men's work with one, the suggestion that the cows should be washed with warm water before every milking, will evolve a howl of derision—"Too much time; unnecessary!" To the one man who has ten or a dozen cows to milk, the addition of the washing will not be acceptable until public opinion forces him to adopt this very necessary operation. As to the objection on the score of lost time and extra labor when a number of cows have to be attended to, if this is done systematically it does not take so much time, and the cows like it and give down their milk much more readily, and time is saved in this way; and your milk is clean; otherwise it is not. Finally, will it pay to do this? Well, it does in the East, where an extra price is readily paid at dairies known to be so conducted, and by those who know the exquisite flavor of such choice butter. I imply no disparagement to the dairies on this Coast. I do not know them, but I know that as long as they may continue to receive contaminated milk or cream from any of their contributors their product will not be of the highest grade. For those who have not practised washing their cows' udders, I suggest that they adopt it on trial. Use warm water and clean cloths, which should be wrung out and dried in the air or sun, until no odor is left, and occasionally scalded. The hands and nails must be thoroughly clean; the hands become soft and moist in the process of washing the udder, and in the best possible condition for milking, thus avoiding the objectionable practice of wetting the hands with milk to avoid dry milking and friction. Neglect these precautions, then smell your hands or the cloths, if not kept clean and sweet. After this experiment if you don't want to milk clean, I am sorry for you and the public.—Dr. Fitz-Mathew, in Oregon Agriculturist.

THE AUCTION SALE.

A Waking Dream.

It was a cold, wet, dark evening, and I had an hour to wait at a small railway junction before getting a train to my destination. From the cheerless station I wandered along the village street wondering where, save in a public-house, I could find rest and warmth, and soon my eye was caught by the repeated flash of light that seemed to come from the opened door of some building in front. When I came up to it, it seemed to be a sort of hall, and a bill on the door told what was going on within; but my eyes had got so dim with the darkness and the rain that I could not make out the words rightly, for what I read was, "Auction Sale Tonight; Souls on Sale or for Hire; the Highest Offer May Not Be Accepted." Laughing at the mistake I must have made, I entered the building.

My eyes were so dazzled with the brightness that it was a few minutes before I could see clearly, but I knew that I was in a fairly large hall with a platform at the further end, which was ascended from the back by a succession of men and women, lads and girls, each of whom, after some talking in the neighborhood, passed down to the right hand, or mostly, to the left. The first that I could see with any distinctness was a young woman, and as she came forward I thought I heard one asking for offers for her life; and then there came, first from the right and then from the left, one who seemed to offer her a true life or a wrong one, but I could not quite make it out. Only when she stepped down on the left hand I heard the voice on the platform say, "Another gone!" and

I WONDERED WHAT IT WAS.

Her place was at once taken by a young man, for whom the first offer came from the left hand, "You are just the sort of man I am looking for—a man who wants to see the world and have lots of fun, not tied to his mother's apron strings, and telling her about every sixpence he spends, and getting scolded whenever he stays out for an extra half-hour; a man having his fling and his larks, and showing he knows what is worth while living for." This, I was no use, I saw, in making any other offer for that young fellow, for he was of the utterly thoughtless class; but I had learned now something of what it all meant, and as he too stepped down on the left hand I listened for that voice again, "Another gone!"

But it was not always so. The very next was a bright boy, whom you heard jumping up the staircase two steps at a time before you saw him, and who instinctively looked to the right hand as one came forward, saying, "Yes, you are the sort I want, with the making of a man in you. You know that there is work to do, hard enough to test your mettle, but true work and strong—work that is worth the doing for our Master. He is looking out for soldiers that will follow Him through thick and thin, who won't ge afraid to do what is right and true, men that are strong to do and dare. He is so grand a leader." And I knew there was no use in any one from the other side trying for him. He never waited, but jumped down on the right hand; and somehow the hall looked brighter, and there was a sound of singing in the air.

I must pass over many whom I saw, but I must tell you about one old man that soon came on the platform, a well-living man as we say), who had made his slips, but never big ones, a man you liked, but you never were sure about—and he never seemed sure about himself. For him the first offer was from the left. "Don't think the happiness of life is over yet; there is a lot for you still, a little work to keep you from wearying, a friend dropping in to talk about the old days over a glass," and so on; but the old man was not half contented until one came forward on the right: "No, that won't do. You need much more than that, and I can give it; days cheered by a Father's love, evenings bright with a Savior's care, the past all forgiven, the future all cared for—no doubt, for He loves; no anxiety, for He cares for you. His rod and His staff shall comfort you." And the old man passed quickly over; and, as he was helped down on the right hand, I thought I heard him say, "Even me!" and again there was a sound of music.

Another I must tell you of—a young woman about whom, as soon as I saw her, I was so anxious. She had been more than a good living girl; she had had her times of deep impression when she meant to come right out, but she had never quite done it. I knew that times had been hard with her lately. I trembled as one came out so cunningly on the left and said, "This is nice. I was just wondering how I could get hold of you, for one of my friends had just come and offered to take me to the theatre or to a dance—whichever I liked—tonight, and I can't go; and I was wondering if you would. I know you don't go to these places but just for once you might, for I know work is hard just now, and you are so good to your old mother; and you don't know what might come of it if you went tonight, he is such a nice fellow." I was afraid of her, for life was dull and money scarce, but one came forward on the right and said, "I am so glad to see you, for the Master was just speaking about you last night, and He was saying it was long since He had a right talk with you, and He was afraid things were very dull with you just now—your mother ill and needing so much time and money you can scarcely spare; and He was telling me about aney joy He has for you, and a plan of getting a change for your mother. He is so kind a master. Why! here He is Himself to tell you." And as the young woman fell at his feet I am sure her eyes were wet with tears; but mine were too, and I could not see.

But what is this strange sound I hear? The sound of unsteady feet tottering up the steps. Strange! Nay, rather were it strange if, in Scottish village on such a night as this, thee were not drunken men and (God help them!) drunken women. At once a transformation took place around; even on the left hand the bidders turned away, and I heard their leader say, "What sort of place will hell be with all these drunkards; but we can't let Him get them;" and he left one menial to offer for them. It was easily done; he had only to hold out a glass of whiskey, and wou could scarcely hein weeping as they all rushed for it. All! No, not quite; for meanwhile, on the right hand, one voice had been raised in singing, and a few of them paused; one old man in his rags I noticed especially as he tried to steady himself and began to say: "What's that? 'The Lord's my Shepherd;' that's what my mother used to sing, and the very tune she used to sing it to. Poor old mother! How she used to plead with me and pray for me; she is in heaven, and I—I'm fast going to hell; there's no doubt about that. What's that? 'My soul He doth restore again.' No, no; I'm too old and bad for that; He wouldn't never look at me; and yet I wonder if He would." The old wreck turned to the right and cried out: "Have I a chance? Would He even look at me?" And the answer rolled back: "He loved thee and gave himself for thee." "Me!" he sid. "such an old drunken wretch as me?" And again the answer came: "He loved thee, He died for thee; able to save to the uttermost." And one came forward with outstretched arms to receive the old man as he stumbled down on the right side; and I wondered who would do such a thing as that, till I saw in the open hands a strange mark, as if a nail had pierced them; and then I looked at his brow and I saw a mark as if a crown of thorns had been pressed home. And I heard the music of the harps of God.

Need I interpret my dream? I think not. Which voice have you listened to—which offer have you accepted—in exchange for your soul.—The Christian.

LOCOMOTIVES.

Japan Discards United States Machines for British.

London Merchant and Shipper.

It is interesting to note the rapid change of opinion which has now set in on the relative merits of British and American locomotives. Even the strongest supporter of the latter article are now gradually turning round in favor of the British production. Readers of this journal will know how steadfast we have been all along in supporting the British engine, and we have frequently cited Japan as a country which, after testing the merits of the two, had pronounced in favor of the English locomotive. We notice in a recent issue of Engineering a paragraph stating that "Japanese companies, with few exceptions, have discarded American locomotives in favor of those of British manufacture, merely using up, but not replenishing, their stock of the former, as they have experienced so much trouble from their boilers. It is only by one or two of the smaller railway companies and of the Hokkaido railway that orders for locomotives are still placed in the United States, and for two reasons—cheapness and despatch." These are facts that have been made patent to any one knowing Japan for some considerable time. Neither the government railway nor the principal private lines have gone to America for the past few years from choice. Like some of our own railways they had perforce to go to America as our own shops were too full of work, but not from any preference for the American locomotive.

OBITUARY.

Funeral of Late E. J. Duchesnay—Dr. McLean of Vancouver Dead.

Vancouver, Sept. 6:—(Special.)—The funeral of the late E. J. Duchesnay was held at 2 o'clock today to the Church of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. The general offices of the C. P. R. were closed to enable the employees to attend the funeral. Forty pall-bearers representing every branch of the company's service acted as an escort. A large number of citizens attended the funeral on foot and in carriages.

Dr. I. M. McLean, city medical officer, died at his residence last night. His illness was very brief. He was taken sick on Tuesday last and grew rapidly worse until the end. The cause of death was acute peritonitis. Four doctors were in attendance. He was conscious to the last, and spoke cheerfully to his colleagues, although he knew he was dying. Dr. McLean was born in Cumberland County, Nova Scotia, in 1859.

John Carnough, a well known logger lost his life at McNear's lumber camp yesterday by a log rolling on him.

Preparations For The Trip

Governor-General and Royal Party Will Require Two Trains.

Elaborate Arrangements For Military Escorts—The Coast Programmes.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Sept. 6.—It has been a moot point for some time whether the Governor-General will accompany the Duke of Cornwall and York on the transcontinental trip. It has now been decided that His Excellency will make the journey. Two trains will be required, one for the Governor-General and the other for the Duke's party.

The Governor-General's train will in all cases precede the royal train by about half an hour, and accordingly Lord Minto will come in for full recognition. During the stay in Canada of the Royal party, powder will be burnt in no less than 87 salutes of twenty-one guns each, while the Governor-General will come in for twenty-three salutes of nineteen guns each.

The programme on royal salutes, guards of honor, guards, escorts and troops for the lining of the streets is a most elaborate affair, and the military will be tired out when the work is completed.

For instance, a guard will have to be furnished, consisting of one officer and 25 men, who will have to be on duty constantly at Quebec, Montreal, Victoria, Toronto and Halifax, and mounted escorts to the number of 17 are required. The government will allow five days' rations for three days' service to troops for Quebec, Toronto and Halifax.

The Royal train will arrive at Vancouver on September 30th at 11:45 a. m. The presentation of addresses at the court house takes place at noon; the opening of the new drill hall at 12:30; presentation of decorations and medals at 12:45; luncheon at the drill hall 1 p. m.; visit to Hastings sawmill 3 p. m.; drive through the park, returning by Brockton Point, at which place there will be a large gathering of school children at 3:45; embark on board the steamer Empress of India 6 p. m.; illumination of the fleet of fishing boats; leave Vancouver at 5 a. m. on October 1st.

The Royal party will arrive at Victoria at 10 a. m., October 1st, Royal procession through the city on the way to Oak Bay hotel; luncheon with the Admiral at 1.30 p. m.; opening of agricultural exhibition at 4 p. m.; official dinner at Governor's residence at 7:30 p. m.; reception at the Legislative building at 9 p. m., and illumination of the city and fireworks. At noon the next day addresses will be presented, followed by the presentation of decorations and medals, Indian war dance at 8:30 p. m., and at 10:30 p. m. the party will leave Victoria.

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Cowichan Exhibition

Success of Duncan's Annual Fair—Excellent Exhibits in Every Class.

Good Programme of Sports—Complete List of Prize Winners.

Several circumstances militated against the success of the annual exhibition of the Cowichan Agricultural, Horticultural and Poultry Society held at Duncans on Friday and yesterday. In the first place the society, desiring to avoid any possible interference with the Victoria exhibition fixed the dates of their fair three weeks earlier than in former years. In consequence the roots and late vegetables shown had not come to maturity, and the fruit, apples especially, had not taken on the mellowness of color attendant on ripeness. Many of the farmers were busy with the harvest and unable to spare the time to prepare and bring in exhibits. And lastly, yesterday, which was to have been the gala day of the fair, opened cloudy and threatening, so that many visitors were deterred from going to the show. The state of the weather in the morning, though turned out to be a beautiful afternoon, kept hundreds away, not only from Victoria, Nanaimo and other points on the E. & N., but people of the Cowichan district who feared the discomforts of a wet day. All things considered, the members of the society have reason to feel gratified at the result of their efforts, for notwithstanding all that stood in the way, the fair, which closed yesterday afternoon, was a decided success.

Over a thousand people were on the society's pretty grounds at one time during the afternoon, and there were many coming and going throughout the day. The Fifth Regiment band was present and made good music, its enlivening strains mingling with the cries of the numerous fakirs, who invited the multitude to try their fortunes at ten cents a try, the lowing of the cattle, and, sweetest sound of all, the joyous laughter of happy children.

The exhibits in some classes were not as numerous as in former years, but many were of superior merit. There were some splendid horses, a few excellent cattle and the sheep were of extra good quality. The poultry display was rather small, some of the big breeders not exhibiting. Fruit made a fair display, though, as already mentioned, they had not come to full maturity. The same remark might be applied to the roots, though, considering the season, those shown were of immense size and excellent quality. There was a large exhibit of butter, rich and tempting-looking, and a great variety of preserved fruits, jams and jellies, which were greatly admired for their tempting appearance. Home-made bread was represented by a great variety of the article, the respective merits of which it required an expert to determine. The ladies made a good display of their handiwork in articles of household utility, as well as in the finer classes of needlework. Some pretty displays of flowers, tastefully arranged, added much to the appearance of the hall. A collection of the minerals of Cowichan district was a new feature, but a most important one, as it proves beyond a doubt that this portion of Vancouver Island has resources, apart from its agricultural wealth, which should establish its fame as a successful mining field.

The sports were carried out successfully and with a vim characteristic of Britons, the gymkhana events being especially interesting. One of the features of the fair was a Punch and Judy show by local artists, which delighted the children and brought back bygone days to their elders. It is understood that the show is to visit Victoria during the exhibition week. If it does—go and see it.

Take it all in all, the Cowichan Agricultural Society have no cause to feel other than gratified with the success of their fair—it was well ordered, representative and enjoyable.

PRIZE WINNERS.

The following is a complete list of the prize winners:

HORSES.

Best draft brood mare, foal at foot, G. T. Corfield first, A. R. Wilson second.

Best saddle horse, R. Bazett first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best pony, under 14-2, M. F. Johnston first, F. M. Jackson second.

Best pony, ridden by boy under 14, F. M. Jackson first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best three-year-old colt or filly, G. T. Corfield first, G. A. Richards second.

Best two-year-old colt or filly, G. T. Corfield first, Jos. Tarleton second.

Best one-year-old colt or filly, G. W. Kelly.

Best hurdle jumper, G. W. Lilley first, W. C. Brown second.

Best buggy horse, Leo. Lloyd first, N. W. Campbell second.

Best general purpose horse to be shown under saddle, Lamb and Muter first, David Evans second.

Best Double turn-out, Richard Bazett.

Best farmer's team, harness and rig to count one quarter, G. T. Corfield first, Jas. Robertson second.

CATTLE.

Best pure bred shorthorn bull, over one year, W. C. Brown second.

Best pure bred Jersey bull, over one year, T. H. Maitland-Dougall second.

Best pure bred Holstein bull, over one year, G. T. Corfield first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best pure bred Shorthorn cow, W. C. Brown.

Best pure bred Jersey cow, G. T. Corfield first, W. P. Jones second.

Best pure bred cow, any other breeds, G. T. Corfield.

Best pure bred Holstein cow, G. T. Corfield.

Best grade milch cow, W. C. Brown first, A. R. Wilson second.

Best milch cow, sweepstakes, A. R. Wilson.

Best two-year-old heifer, grade, W. C. Duncan.

Best yearling heifer, grade, C. L. Kingston first, M. Kingston second.

SHEEP.

Best pedigreed ram in the show, A. Bonsall.

Best pedigree Southdown ram, T. W. Lilley.

Best Shropshire ram, Mrs. G. A. Richards.

Best Oxford ram, A. Bonsall.

Three ewe lambs, H. Bonsall first and second.

Two ewes, grade (large) H. Bonsall first, A. S. Drummond second.

Two ewes, grade (small) D. Evans.

Three lambs, half bred or grade, H. Bonsall first, A. Bonsall second.

Special prizes offered by the Vancouver Island Flockmasters Association.

Best pen of two lambs, ewe and ram, bred from V.I.F.A. Southdown ram, David Evans first, J. A. Wood second.

Best pen of two lambs, ewe and lamb, bred from V. I. F. A. Shropshire ram, Mrs. Richards first and second.

Best two ewes, pure bred Southdown, T. A. Wood first, David Evans second.

Best two ewes, pure bred Shropshire, A. S. Drummond first, H. Bonsall second.

PIGS.

Best pure bred boar, any age, W. P. Jaynes first, Jas Alexander second.

Best sow, grade, W. C. Duncan first, W. P. Jaynes second.

POULTRY.

Best pair of geese, G. T. Corfield first, A. McKinnon second.

Best pair Light Brahma, G. T. Corfield first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best pair Buff Cochin, R. H. Whidden first and second.

Best pair Plymouth Rock, T. Leather.

Best pair Black Minorca, A. McKinnon.

Best pair Leghorn, Buff, Mrs. H. Smith.

Best pair Leghorn, Brown, Mrs. G. A. Richards first and second.

Best pair Bantams, game, any color, W. Ford.

FIELD PRODUCE.

Best bushel of spring wheat, John McPherson.

Best bushel fall wheat, W. H. Elkington.

Best bushel of oats, Jas. Alexander first, W. H. Elkington second.

Best bushel of field peas, W. C. Brown first, W. Ford second.

Best six ears of field corn, G. T. Corfield.

Best six stalks ensilage corn, A. R. Wilson first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best sample of timothy seed, not less than ten pounds, James Alexander.

ROOTS AND VEGETABLES.

Best six Swedish turnips, Wm. Forrest first, C. D. Kingston second, highly commended, W. Ford.

Best six turnips, any other kinds, A. J. Bell first, G. H. Hadwen second.

Best three roots "Magnum Bonum Swede" grown from Sutton & Sons seeds, A. R. Wilson first, F. Haycraft second.

Best six mangolds, long, G. T. Corfield first; A. R. Wilson second.

Best six mangolds, Globe or Yel. Tankard, W. Forrest, W. Forrest and James Alexander first, John McPherson second.

Best three roots "Prize Winner Globe Mangold," grown from Sutton & Sons seeds, H. Bonsall first, D. Alexander second.

Best six carrots, white or yellow, John McPherson first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best six carrots, long white, W. Forrest first, W. H. Elkington second.

Best six carrots, long red, W. Forrest first, A. R. Wilson second.

Best six Early Rose potatoes, John McPherson first, Jas. Alexander second, V.H.C., P. Flett.

Best six any other kind, early poatoes, D. Alexander first, John McPherson second, V. H. C., Mrs. J. Richards.

Best six Carman potatoes, D. Alexander.

Best six Late Rose potatoes, W. C. Duncan first, P. Flett, second.

Best six Dakotah Red potatoes, P. Flett first, Mrs. J. Richards second.

Best six Burbank seedling potatoes, Mrs. J. Humphreys first, John McPherson second.

Best six any other kind late potatoes, John McPherson first, P. Flett second.

Best six Kohl Rabi, no entries.

Best six onions, red, Jas. Alexander first, M. Edgson second.

Best six onions, yellow, Jas. Alexander first, A. Pimbury second, V. H. C., D. Evans.

Best six onions, white, D. Evans second.

Best quart eschalots, D. Evans first, D. Alexander second.

Best two red cabbage, W. C. Brown first, A. McKinnon second.

Best two drumhead cabbage, W. C. Brown first.

Best two Savoy cabbage, W. C. Brown first.

Best two cabbage, any other kind, A. R. Wilson, first, W. C. Brown second.

Best two cauliflowers, A. McKinnon second.

Best six table carrots, A. Pimbury first, Jas. Alexander second.

Best six parsnips, A. Pimbury first, M. Edgson second.

Best six table beets, long, M. Edgson first, J. McPherson second.

Best six table beets, turnip, R. Bazett first, A. R. Wilson second.

Best six salsify, A. Pimbury.

Best six ears sweetcorn, A. Pimbury first and second.

Best six leeks, A. Pimbury first, G. W. Lilley second.

Best two cucumbers, A. Pimbury first, G. W. Lilley second.

Best two vegetable marrows, A. Pimbury special, A. R. Wilson first, A. Pimbury second.

Best two Hubbard squash, A. Pimbury first, Mrs. J. Humphreys second.

Best six tomatoes, W. Forrest.

Best collection of garden vegetables, A. R. Wilson first, Mrs. J. Humphreys second.

Mr. Henry Croft, C.E., offered a special prize of $5 for best collection of vegetables, but there were no entries.

FRUITS.

Best collection of fruit, A. Pimbury first, G. T. Hadwen second.

Best winter apples, 5 kinds, 5 of each varieties named, G. T. Corfield.

Best autumn apples, 5 kinds, 5 of each varieties named, G. T. Corfield first, W. Ford second.

Best commercial apples, 5 plates, G. T. Corfield first, W. Ford second.

Best apples, 5 Duchess of Oldenburg, R. H. Whidden.

Best apples, 5 any other variety, summer, G. H. Hadwen.

Best apples, 4 Alexander, W. C. Duncan.

Best apples, 5 Wealthy,, G. T. Corfield.

Best apples, 5 20-oz. Pippin, A. Pimbury.

Best apples, 5 Gloria Mundi, R. McLay first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best apples, 5 Gravenstein, G. T. Corfield first, F. H. Maitland-Dougall second.

Best apples, 5 Blenheim Orange, R. H. Whidden first, H. Bonsall second.

Best apples, 5 Ribston Pippin, F. H. Maitland-Dougall first, H. Bonsall second, W. C. Duncan, V. H. C.

Best apples, 5 any other variety, autumn, extra, G. T. Corfield, W. C. Duncan first, C. Livingston second.

Best apples, 5 Baldwins, G. T. Corfield first, H. Bonsall second.

Best apples, 5 Northern Spy, T. A. Wood first, Mrs. J. Richards second.

Best apples, 5 Golden Russet, F. H. Maitland-Dougall first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best apples, 5 R. I. Greening, W. C. Duncan first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best apples, 5 Ben Davis, R. H. Whidden first,, W. C. Duncan second.

Best apples, 5 Canada Reinette, C. Bonsall first, C. Livingston second.

Best apples, 5 King of Thompson County, A. Pimbury first, F. A. Wood second.

Best apples, 5 any other variety, winter, W. C. Duncan first, G. T. Corfield second.

Best 12 crab apples, R. McLay extra, R. H. Whidden first, G. H. Hadwen second.

Best 5 Bartlett pears, A. Pimbury first, Mrs. Harry Smith second.

Plate of cherries, gathered September 5, G. T. Corfield.

Red egg plums, W. Ford.

Best 5 Flemish Beauty, W. Ford second.

Best 5 pears, any other variety, W. Ford.

Best 12 plums, yellow egg, A. Pimberry first, M. Edgson second.

Best 12 plums, Coe's Golden Drop, Mrs. J. Richards.

Best plate of prunes, H. Bonsall extra, A. J. Bell first.

Best 5 peaches, Miss Prevost first, A. R. Wilson second.

Best 2 muskmellons, A. Dirome.

Best 2 citron melons, A. Dirome.

Best 2 quart blackberries, A. Pimbury first, D. Ford second.

Best exhibit of apples, special prize $10, presented by H. Croft, C. E., Mount Sicker, G. H. Hadwen first, G. T. Corfield second.

DAIRY.

Best 5 lbs. printed butter, Mrs. J. Rich-

Best 1 lb. fresh butter, put up for table use, Mrs. J. Richards first, Mrs. J. McPherson second.

ards first, Mrs. H. Bonsall, second.

Best exhibit of honey, Mrs. Harry Smith first, Miss Duncan second.

Special prize, $10, donated by H. Croft, C. E., for best exhibit of buter, Mrs. H. Bonsall.

Special prize, $25, donated by H. Croft, C. E., for greatest amount of cash received from the Cowichan creamery in one year by any of its patrons, G. T. Corfield.

LADIES' PRIZES.

Best piece of silk embroidery, Mrs. Dickie first, Mrs. Truments second.

Best child's frock, Mrs. J. H. Whittome first, Miss Hall second.

Best hand-made lace, two first prizes, Miss Bessie Evans first, Miss Prevost second.

Best man's flannel of flannelette shirt, machine made, Mrs. J. H. Whittome first, Miss Hargrave second.

Best plain needlework, Miss Kingston first, Miss Livingston second.

Best knitted stockings, fancy, Miss Leather.

Best knited socks, men's, Miss Wilson first, Miss Hadwen second.

Best six buttonholes, Miss Kingston first, Mrs. J. M. Campbell second.

Best drawn work, Miss Kingston.

Best loaf of bread, home-made in the district, plain bread, 2 lbs, Mrs. Cloutier first, Mrs. Jas. Alexander second, Miss McLay V. H. C.

Best bottle home-made wine, Mrs. D. Evans first, Mrs. R. Bazett second.

Best collection of jam, Mrs. J. Richards first, Miss Hadwen second.

Best collection of jelly, Mrs. D. Evans first, Mrs. A. McKinnon second.

Best collection of bottled fruits, Miss Lomas first, Mrs. H. Bonsall second.

OPEN COMPETITION.

(Ladies and Gentlemen.)

Best water-color landscape, painted in 1900-1901, Miss Harrison.

Best collection of amateur photographs, E. A. Price first, Douglas D. McTavish second.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Best plain needlework, Miss Drummond first, Miss Effie Bonsall second.

Best piece of crochet work, Miss Smales first, Miss Drummond second.

Best knitted stockings, Miss Mary Ann Evans.

Best loaf of bread, Miss Drummond first, Miss Lily Campbell second, Miss M. Kingston, V. H. C.

Best plain cake, without fruit, Miss M. Duncan first, Miss M. Kingston second.

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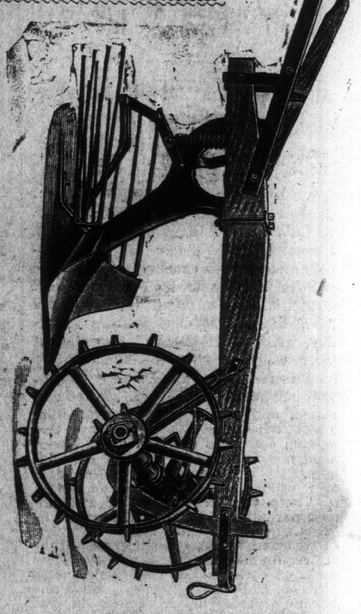

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FLOWERS.

Best boquet of flowers for table ((arrangement to count one-third), Mrs. N. Bonsall first, Miss Bessie Evans second.

Best boquet of cut flowers, Mrs. Pimbury first, Mrs. Elkington second.

CUT FLOWERS.

Best boquet of Asters, Miss McLay first, Miss Lomas second.

Best boquet of Petunias, Mrs. Pimbury first, Mrs. Jas. Alexander second.

Best boquet of Dahlias, Mrs. Corfield first, Mrs. Ashdown-Green second.

Best boquet of Stocks, Mrs. Maitland-Dougall first, Mrs. Pimbury second.

Best boquet of sweet peas, Miss Maitland-Dougall first, Miss Lomas second.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Boys or Girls Under 14 Years of Age.

Best writing, Miss Mary A. Evans first, G. Lomas second.

Boys or Girls Under 11 Years of Age.

Best writing, Miss D. Wood first, Miss May second.

Best exhibit of minerals from mineral claims in Cowichan, special prize of $25, donated by H. Croft, C.E., T. A. Wood.

THE SPORTS.

Following are the winners of the various sporting events.

Five mile bicycle, local—1st prize, silver cup, presented by F. H. Maitland-Dougall; 2nd, silver cup, presented by W. H. Elkington: J. Mearns, 1st; A. Blyth, 2nd.

Quarter-mile bicycle—J. Mearns, A. Blyth.

Quarter-mile, boys under 14—B. Keir, M. C. Clark.

Quarter-mile, girls under 14—Miss E. Prevost, Miss Robertson.

Ladies' race, quarter-mile—Miss M. Blyth, Miss Bonsall.

One mile—J. Neans, A. Blyth.

Cigar and soda water race—H. Minguye, J. Mearns.

Bottle race, ladies—Miss E. Prevost, Miss B. Jaynes.

Arithmetic race—W. Evans, A. Blyth.

Thread and needle race, ladies—Miss M. Blyth, Miss E. Prevost.

Foot race, boys under 12, 100 yards—A. Ford, M. C. Clark.

Foot race, girls under 12, 50 yards—J. Keir, M. McPherson.

GYMKHANA.

Cigar and umbrella race—A. Mutter, G. W. Mutter.

Saddle race—A. Mutter, G. W. Mutter.

Soda water race—W. Prevost, M. Elliott.

Bucket and potato race—T. Jackson, G. W. Mutter.

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STRIKERS SUED.

Pacific Coast Steamship Company Brings Action Against the Unions.

According to a despatch from San Francisco, the Pacific Coast Steamship Company has begun a suit in the United States court to recover damages to the extent of $25,000 which it alleges to have sustained by the strike of its firemen and sailors. The suit is brought against the Pacific Marine Firemen's union and the Sailors' union of the Pacific. This is the first suit commenced in the pending local labor war by any employer claiming to have a signed agreement with a labor union,