

ALBERNI HOLDS ANNUAL SHOW

COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF AGRICULTURAL AWARDS

W. Sloan Talks of Prospects of Neighborhood in Open- ing Exhibition.

(Special Correspondence.)
Alberni, Sept. 18.—The third annual exhibition of the Alberni District Agricultural Society was held here yesterday in Brandt's hall and grounds, and was carried out under the most favorable weather conditions, and attended by a large gathering from the town and neighboring districts. With the exception of G. Fraser, of Ucluelet, the judges were all from the neighborhood, and it is safe to say that their decisions were as popular as it is possible to have them.

The names of the judges of the different classes have already been given in the columns of the Times. The judging was got through in good time and punctually at the appointed hour of 1.30 p. m. the chairman of the society, F. Cowley, called up W. Sloan to open the exhibition.

Mr. Sloan in his opening remarks, thanked the society for the invitation to perform this pleasing task. Last year he himself had been in the north and the Hon. Mr. Templeman, British Columbia's cabinet representative, had officiated, but he recalled with pleasure that three years before he had opened the first exhibition ever held in Alberni and from the preliminary view he had just had of to-day's show, he was warranted in stating that the society had amply justified its existence. Such associations were of great benefit in many ways. The gathering together of the many and varied products of the farm, enabled the farmer to compare the products of his land and of his methods with that of farmers working along similar lines, and much useful knowledge was often acquired in that way. Moreover, it was good to have a day on which farmers could desert from the toll, which the very nature of their occupation rendered persistent and unremitting, and gather together in a social way with a common bond of interest to unite them in friendly rivalry. While they could not all be prize winners, yet he hoped that all would go home stimulated to even greater exertions next season to gain the coveted blue ribbon.

Mr. Sloan had been especially attracted to the quality of the display of fruit and vegetables, and he could readily recall that he had been informed by a gentleman very competent to pass an opinion that in sweet corn, tomatoes, and other vegetables, the quality and color of the produce were actually superior to that seen in local shows in the south of the island and in Victoria.

While agriculture was to-day the principal industry here and was indeed the backbone of the Dominion, yet he looked forward to the day when the scope of the Agricultural Society would be so widened that its annual fair would also find space for exhibits illustrative of the other resources of the district, for he could assure them that in their fisheries, their minerals, and their forests, they had resources, the future possibilities of which it was almost impossible to estimate. His hearers would remember, said Mr. Sloan, that when last addressing them on a similar occasion, he had predicted that within five years from that date a railway would be constructed into Alberni and that an era of prosperity was awaiting the district. He was confident that his prophecy would prove an accurate one. Half the distance was now under contract, and he was advised that the remaining portion of the work would be put in hand at a very early date. This they could count upon and he could inform his hearers that no less than five large concerns with capital and energy were ready to start to manufacture lumber as soon as the railway was sufficiently advanced. Moreover, he was gratified to learn from his intercourse with his friends in the district that a certain measure of prosperity had arrived, and this in spite of the severe financial depression in the States which was bound to be felt to some extent in a province such as ours having close financial and commercial relations with the other side.

In his capacity as their representative, Mr. Sloan informed the audience he had attended the tercentenary celebrations at Quebec and while deeply impressed with the great scenes enacted there, scenes which will be recorded in history for all time, yet, gorgeous as were the pageants, brilliant as were the ceremonies, he could not but feel that the mental atmosphere of the east was one rather of reflection on the glories of the past, of contentment with present conditions, an atmosphere which contrasted strongly with the true spirit of the west, for it is in the west indeed that Canada must look and does look for the expansion of her people, for the development of her resources, a development so rapid and resources so great as to be at the present moment but dimly realized. He urged his hearers to have faith in their country, faith in themselves and to press forward with a bright optimism to inherit the glorious future, the foundation of whose prosperity so many of those present had laid by years of sturdy pioneering in the wilderness of the Great West. Mr. Sloan concluded by declaring that the third annual exhibition open to the public.

Mr. Sloan's remarks were received by applause, and the Rev. T. S. Glassford, coming forward as having been the secretary of the society since its inception, said he was glad to express his appreciation of Mr. Sloan's services as a patron of their institution; not only had he always given them strong financial assistance, but his personal services had ever been at the disposal of the society, and he felt pleasure in calling for three cheers for our genial member, which were given with heartiness which spoke volumes for the popularity of that gentleman. There is no doubt that Mr. Sloan to-day is

far stronger in this constituency than he was four years ago. The untiring, able and eminently successful manner in which he has urged upon the government the various public expenditures necessary to keep pace with the rapid development of this riding, the impossibility of insinuating anything against his character as a public man, and the reputation which he has established at Ottawa as a sound and logical debater, a reputation which was enhanced by the masterly manner in which he handled two of the most difficult and most important questions to this province which came up during the last session, and which evoked favorable comment from the leading newspapers even in Britain—all these qualities have convinced the electors of this riding that they have nothing to gain and everything to lose by a change of their Dominion representative. More than one representative Conservative was heard to state that, while not agreeing with the politics of the party which Mr. Sloan supports, yet in view of the record both of the government and of Mr. Sloan, they intended to cast their vote for Mr. Sloan, that is, if a Conservative candidate can be found who will be willing to imitate himself on the altar of party loyalty.

The prize list of the show is appended:

Horses.

General purpose team—1st, Fitzgerald & Burke; 2nd, Ernest Woodward. Brood mare—1st, Ernest Woodward; 2nd, W. Thomson.

Sucking colt—1st, W. Thomson; 2nd, T. Grieve.

Yearling colt—1st, A. G. Service. Two-year-old colt—1st, T. Grieve.

Rugby horse—1st, Fitzgerald & Burke.

Cattle.

Bull for beef—1st, E. Woodward; 2nd, G. Bird.

Bull for dairy purposes—1st, F. Cowley.

Milk cow for dairy—1st, E. Woodward; 2nd, T. Grieve.

Milk cow for beef—1st, T. Grieve.

Sheep.

Ram, any age—1st, E. L. Gill.

Ewe and lamb—1st, E. L. Gill.

Pair lambs—1st, E. L. Gill.

Poultry.

Pair geese—1st, A. G. Service.

Pair ducks—1st, Mrs. F. Nicolas.

Pair Plymouth Rocks—1st, John Orr.

Pair Brown Leghorns—1st, W. R. H. Prescott.

Pair Buff Orpingtons—1st, J. Wilkinson.

Pair Black Minorcas—1st, E. Woodward.

Pair White Wyandottes—1st, A. G. Service.

Pair White Wyandottes, cockerel and pullet—1st, A. G. Service.

Pair Silver Laced Wyandottes—1st, T. Grieve.

Dairy Produce and Honey.

Butter made by lady keeping only one cow—1st, Mrs. W. R. H. Prescott; 2nd, Mrs. LaBelle.

Butter, two 1-lb. prints—1st, A. G. Service; 2nd, Mrs. F. Nicolas.

Honey—1st, A. G. Service.

Garden Vegetables.

Two cabbages—1st, T. Plaut; 2nd, A. H. Stephenson.

Six carrots—1st, A. H. Stephenson.

Six parsnips—1st, R. W. Thompson; 2nd, Jas. Thomson.

Six beets—1st, Jas. Thomson; 2nd, T. Plaut; 3rd, R. F. Elton.

Two bunches celery—1st, E. Woodward.

Two bunches lettuce—1st, Mrs. LaBelle; 2nd, F. Cowley.

Two table squash—1st, J. Best.

Two pumpkins—1st, R. W. Thompson.

Two vegetable marrow—1st, G. A. Spencer; 2nd, T. Grieve.

Six tomatoes—1st, R. W. Thompson; 2nd, Jas. Thomson.

Four cucumbers—1st, R. W. Thompson; 2nd, J. C. Calhoun.

Six parsnips—1st, H. Woodward; 2nd, A. H. Stephenson.

Six red onions—1st, R. W. Thompson; 2nd, Jas. Thomson; 3rd, J. Orr.

Six yellow onions—1st, R. W. Thompson; 2nd, Jas. Thomson; 3rd, J. Orr.

One quart button onions—1st, Mrs. P. Nicolas.

One quart string beans—1st, Mrs. P. Nicolas.

Six boiled potatoes in jackets—1st, Mrs. P. Nicolas; 2nd, Mrs. Bekker; 3rd, Jas. Thomson.

Two citrons—1st, Neil McFarlane; 2nd, Jas. Thomson.

Two plans Scotch kale—1st, Alex. Shaw; 2nd, F. Cowley.

Bunch of radish—1st, F. Cowley; 2nd, Neil McFarlane.

Winter radish, extra prize—J. Best.

One quart hops—1st, Mrs. G. Smith; 2nd, Mrs. Calhoun.

Six sweet corn on cobs—1st, R. W. Thompson; 2nd, J. Best.

New kind potato—1st, E. Woodward; 2nd, J. Orr.

Half bushel fall wheat—1st, A. H. Stephenson.

Half bushel spring wheat—1st, B. Bekker; 2nd, T. Grieve.

Half bushel white oats—1st, J. Halpenny; 2nd, R. W. Thompson.

Half bushel peas—1st, J. Best; 2nd, R. W. Thompson.

Sheaf barley—1st, F. Cowley; 2nd, A. H. Stephenson.

Six Burbank potatoes—1st, T. Plaut; 2nd, R. W. Thompson.

Six Early Rose—1st, C. Taylor; 2nd, A. Shaw; 3rd, J. Halpenny.

Six Rural New Yorker—1st, T. Plaut; 2nd, H. Woodward.

Four globe mangels—1st, J. Best; 2nd, J. Orr.

Two long red mangels—1st, T. Plaut; 2nd, F. Cowley.

Four sugar beets—1st, J. Orr; 2nd, F. Cowley.

Six white carrots—1st, W. Nicolas; 2nd, A. Shaw.

Six red carrots—1st, T. Grieve; 2nd, W. Thomson.

Collection of roots—1st, F. Cowley.

FRUITS.

Apples.

Five Gravenstein—1st, Mrs. P. Nicolas; 2nd, W. Nicolas.

Five Duchess of Oldenburg—1st, Jas. Thomson; 2nd, Mrs. Watson.

Five Northern Spy—1st, Jas. Thomson; 2nd, J. Wilkinson.

Five King of Tompkins Co.—1st, Jas. Thomson; 2nd, Mrs. P. Nicolas.

Five Greening—1st, F. Cowley.

Five Alexander—1st, G. A. Spencer; 2nd, J. Wilkinson.

Five Wealthy—1st, A. H. Stephenson; 2nd, E. L. Gill.

Five Ben Davis—1st, G. A. Spencer.

Five Grimes Golden—1st, Jas. Thomson; 2nd, A. H. Stephenson.

Five Russets—1st, R. W. Thompson; 2nd, Mrs. Watson.

Five Newton Pippin—1st, Jas. Thomson; 2nd, Mrs. Watson.

Five cyrabs—1st, Jas. Thomson; 2nd, A. Shaw.

Four largest apples—1st, Jas. Wilkinson; 2nd, Mrs. D. Smith.

Plums.

Five Damsel—1st, R. F. Elton; 2nd, J. Best.

Five Lombard—1st, E. L. Gill; 2nd, J. Best.

Five yellow egg—1st, J. Best; 2nd, Mrs. Watson.

Five red egg—1st, H. Woodward; 2nd, J. Best; 3rd, P. Nicolas.

Five greengage—1st, Neil McFarlane; 2nd, R. F. Elton.

Five peaches—1st, J. Thomson; 2nd, Jas. Thomson; 3rd, J. Wilkinson.

Five quinces—1st, G. A. Spencer.

Pears.

Five Bartlett—1st, Mrs. Watson; 2nd, R. F. Elton.

Collection of pears, 5 of each—1st, J. Wilkinson.

Quart of blackberries—1st, John Thomson; 2nd, T. Plaut.

Flowers.

Roses—1st, Mrs. Jas. Thomson.

Dahlias—1st, Mrs. G. Smith.

Gladiolas—1st, J. Thomson; 2nd, F. Cowley.

Pansies—1st, F. Cowley; 2nd, Mrs. LaBelle.

Petunias—1st, Mrs. LaBelle.

Asters, 2 varieties—1st, Mrs. LaBelle; 2nd, J. Thomson.

Sweet peas—1st, J. Thomson; 2nd, Mrs. LaBelle.

Collection of annuals—1st, G. A. Spencer.

Table bouquet—1st, Mrs. G. Smith; 2nd, F. Cowley.

Hand bouquet—1st, Mrs. Wilkinson; 2nd, Mrs. Jas. Thomson.

Special table decoration—1st, Mrs. G. A. Smith; 2nd, Miss Cowley.

Begonias, flowering—1st, 2nd, R. F. Elton.

Begonias, rex—1st, Mrs. Calhoun; 2nd, Mrs. J. Thomson.

Begonias, ornamental foliage—1st, G. A. Spencer; 2nd, R. F. Elton.

Kitchen Work.

Loaf home made bread, Ogilvie's R. H. flour—1st, Mrs. Wilkinson; 2nd, Mrs. Grieve.

One dozen bread buns—1st, Mrs. Wilkinson; 2nd, Mrs. G. Smith.

Collection of cakes—1st, Indian school; 2nd, Mrs. Grieve.

Collection of fruit, 6 bottles—1st, Mrs. Bekker; 2nd, Mrs. Wilkinson.

Collection of fruits, 6 bottles, special—1st, Mrs. Cox; 2nd, Mrs. Forrest.

Collection of salies, 6 bottles—1st, Mrs. Wilkinson; 2nd, Mrs. LaBelle.

Six bottles pickles—1st, E. L. Gill; 2nd, Annie Grieve.

Ladies' Work.

Crochet work, wool—1st and 2nd, Indian school.

Any other fancy work—1st, Indian school.

Table cover—1st, Indian school; 2nd, A. Grieve.

Centrepiece—1st, Miss Marcon; 2nd, Indian school.

Pair doilies—1st, Indian school; 2nd, Miss Marcon.

Handkerchief case—1st, E. Guyer.

Child's dress—1st, A. G. Service.

Patch work quilt—1st, Mrs. Watson.

Stockings or socks, wool—1st, A. Grieve.

Pillowshams—1st, A. Grieve.

Fancy knitting—1st, Indian school; 2nd, Mrs. Grieve.

Stockings, darned with needle—1st, Mrs. Wilkinson; 2nd, Mrs. LaBelle.

Six buttonholes, girl under 15—1st, Indian school; 2nd, Jessie Forrest.

Home-made rug—1st, Miss Marcon; 2nd, Mrs. Calhoun (special).

Stocking darned by girl under 12—1st, Indian school; 2nd, Dora Grieve.

Sofa pillow—1st, Mrs. Brandt; 2nd, Indian school; highly recommended, Mrs. Neil McFarlane.

Dressed doll, girl under 12—1st, Allison Smith; 2nd, George Smith.

Kitchen apron—1st, Mrs. Wilkinson.

Artistic.

Pencil drawing, school children—1st and 2nd, Indian school.

Collection wild flowers, child under 14—1st, Dora Grieve; 2nd, C. Nicholas.

Collection native grasses—1st, T. Grieve; 2nd, Allison Smith.

Map drawn by child under 15—1st, 2nd, Indian school.

Collection garden seeds, not less than three kinds—1st, Jean Wilkinson; 2nd, Nessie Grieve.

The most interest seemed to be taken in the classes devoted to ladies' needle work and in domestic classes such as bread and preserves. The stock entries were very small and showed a great reduction from last year. There were no entries in the pig classes and only one in the dairy cow class in which there was a fine exhibit last season.

The entries in fruit and vegetables, though below those of last year, showed better quality. The display of peaches was excellent, as was also the exhibit of blackberries, which were specially fine. Much of the success attained is due to the efforts of the energetic secretary, Rev. T. S. Glassford.

During the afternoon the members of the Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church dispensed tea and cake.

Herbert Carmichael, provincial assayer, who will visit the West Coast, inspecting among other properties the Klaskan gold propositions, has been delayed in leaving in order to represent the department of mines on the visiting visit of the Mining Institute. W. Fleet Robertson, the provincial mineralogist, will not be home in time to meet the mining visitors. His place will be taken by the provincial assayer, after which the latter will leave for the West Coast.

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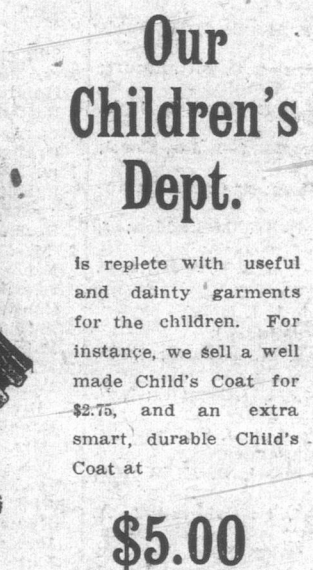
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