

and had still twenty which he would be happy to put into the hands of deserving individuals.

The Chairman expressed his gratification with the proceedings, and made some pleasing and appropriate remarks. The meeting was then closed with prayer.

Railway Accidents in Great Britain.

The whole number of passengers carried on the Railroads of the Kingdom in 1851 was 47,500,382; of these 113 were killed and 261 injured. There were 8 passengers killed and 213 injured, from causes beyond their own control; 9 were killed and 14 injured, owing to their own misconduct or want of caution; 39 servants of the companies or contractors were killed and 17 injured from causes beyond their own control; 32 servants of companies or contractors were killed and 12 injured from their want of caution; 32 travellers and other persons, neither passengers or servants of the companies were killed, and 9 injured by crossing or walking on railways. There was one suicide. The length of railways open to the 30th of June, 1851, was 6,698 miles, and on the 1st December last 6,800 miles—an increase of 102 miles.

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THE MORAL OF THE FAIR.

Having given a pretty full description of the Provincial Exhibition in previous numbers, it only remains that we give the Moral of the whole, and in doing so, we find it difficult to comprise in a few words a sufficiently comprehensive moral of so great a display; but here it is—Self-reliant energy, supported on the right hand by Science, on the left by Perseverance, and treading on a pathway of unswerving Virtue, is sure to be crowned with the blessing of a benignant Providence. If we keep this moral ever before us it will help us onward in many a trying hour.—As regards the display, we think it has in it something more than results from the remote and accidental benefit which the mere appearance furnishes. In this we are forcibly reminded of one of Solomon's aphorisms,—as iron sharpeneth iron, so doth the countenance of a man his friend. There is in so large a collection of mechanics from all points of the compass, a comparing of ideas upon various improvements and a determination roused in the mind of some one to make something that will excel anything yet produced. Some happy thought strikes one as he gazes for the first time upon a new implement, and the idea that some little change for the better might be made upon it is at once conceived. He sets to work, and by-and-by, something more perfect in symmetry, more complete in arrangement, or more effective in operation, fills his mind's eye. In this way do the germs of improvement spread, just as the seeds which Nature furnishes with wings, that they may find a soil and a shelter wherever the winds of Heaven may locate them. The isolated developments of genius, attracted by the spirit of emulation and concentrated on the public show grounds, again rapidly diverge from this their common centre through new and various channels, to points of location hitherto unblesed by such efforts. Without some such friction of mind with mind, the great value of new inventions and improvements in agricultural implements would be comparatively lost. We have a powerful illustration of this in Bell's reaping machine. This implement, invented by a Scottish

Clergyman, in 1828, and successfully worked in some fields in Forfar, was so little known in Scotland and England, that, when McCormick's reaper went over to the World's Fair, in 1851, it was hailed as a new and great invention, and nearly every paper in Britain contained some glowing account of the great invention of that great people that live on the other side of the water; not knowing, all the while, that this was a fac-simile, almost, of Bell's reaper. To Bell then belongs all the praise that results from reaping machines, and had his cautious countrymen had some such way of displaying their mechanical productions, his name would, long ere this, have been as inseparably connected with reapers as that of Jacquard is with the loom, or Watt's with the steam-engine. We have no doubt, however, that the next show at Hamilton will far eclipse this last one. The Committee there will have learned, by the experience of the past, and will proceed accordingly. It is evident that our Halls here were much too small and were not, by any means, upon the best construction for a crowd. To guard against a similar error, we have no doubt that the Hamilton Committee will offer a prize of £10, or £15, for the best plan of erections for such a purpose, and in this way they will much more effectually succeed. Then the entries were curiously made, and when the decisions of the judges were recorded, the books were in such a state that many of the prizes were awarded to wrong parties. In this way the Press, ever anxious to make the results known, were allowed to copy from the books etc they were filled up and revised, and a very imperfect and incorrect prize list was the consequence.—These points, we trust, will be attended to more scientifically on all future occasions, and should it be our lot to witness an improvement, we will most cheerfully record the same.

GRAND PROVINCIAL FAIR.

In order to complete the proceedings in connection with the Provincial Show in a becoming respectful manner, we give along with this number a copy of the Prize List, from the *Canadian Agriculturist*, as it has been revised and corrected by the Local Committee for that Journal. We do this, although at a little extra expense, for two reasons,—first, we have taken some pains to give a pretty full account of the Exhibition, so far as our space would allow, and therefore wish that the Prize List, which is the test of improvement, may be kept as a portion of the *Family Herald*,—and second, because, all the Lists published prior to the appearance of the *Agriculturist* were very incorrect;—and as the *Agriculturist* circulates chiefly amongst our farming community; those of our fair friends who helped to adorn the Fair may not have an opportunity to see their names recorded in a corrected list.

PRIZE LIST.

CLASS A.—DURHAMS.

JUDGES.—W. McMicking, Joseph Ireland, Samuel Dickenson, John Hunter, John Sissons.

Best Bull.

1 Baron de Longueuil, Kingston, £6 10s; 2 Geo Wilson, Guelph, £1 0s; 3 John Taylor, Stamford, £2 10s; 4 E. Harrison, Chinguacousy, £1.

Best 3 years old Bull.

1 N. Davies, York, £5 10s; 2 Robert Raine, Gore, £3 10s; 3 Ralph Wade, jun., Cobourg, £2 0s; 4 John Wade, Port Hope, £1 0s.

Best 2 years old Bull.

1 Thos Hall, Ancaster, £4 10s; 2 M Jones, Darlington, £3 0s; 3 William Dow, Whitby, £1 15s; 4 Aaron Barker, Etobicoke, £1 0s.

Best 1 year old Bull.

1 Ed Jones, Stamford, £3 10s; 2 E W Thomson, York, £2 5s; 3 William Gordon, Paris, £1 5s; 4 Hon A Ferguson, 15s.

Best Bull Calf of 1852.

1 N. Davies, York, £2 10s; 2 R Wade, jun., Cobourg, £1 15s; 3 do do £1; 4 Hon A Ferguson, 10s.

Best Cow.

1 John Howitt, Guelph, £5; 2 Ralph Wade, jun., Cobourg, £3; 3 S Parker, Drummondville, £2; 4 John P Wheeler, Scarboro, £1.

Best 3 years old Cow.

1 Ralph Wade, jun., £4; 2 E W Thomson, York, £2 10s.

Best 2 years old Heifer.

1 J. Howitt, Guelph, £3; 2 Ralph Wade, jun., Cobourg, £2; 3 Hon A Ferguson, £1; 4 do do, 15s.

Best 1 year old Heifer.

1 M. Jones, Darlington, £2 10s; 2 John Wade, Port Hope, £1 10s; 3 E W Thomson, York, £1.

Best Heifer Calf of 1852.

1 Ralph Wade, jun., £1 10; 2 A C Hamilton, St. Catharines, £1; 3 Ralph Wade, jun., 10s; 4 John Dew, York, 5s.

CLASS B.—DEVONS.

JUDGES.—Wm. Balkwell, J. P. Wheeler, J. B. Carpenter.

1 J. P. Gage, Wellington Square, £6 10s; 2 John Masson, Cobourg, £4 10s; 3 R. Ferrie & Co., Doon, £2 10s.

Best 2 years old Bull.

1 O. Z. Rykert, St. Catharines, £4 10s; no others.

Best 1 year old Bull.

Daniel Tye, Wilmot, £3 10s.

Best Bull Calf of 1852.

1 A. H. Farmer, Woodstock, £2 10s; 2 R. Ferrie & Co., Doon, £1 15s; 3 John Masson, Cobourg, £1.

Best Cow.

1 R. Ferrie & Co., Doon, £5; 2 Daniel Tye, Wilmot, £3; 3 John Masson, Cobourg, £2.

Best 2 year old Heifer.

1 J. P. Gage, Wellington Square, £3; 2 John Masson, Cobourg, £2; 3 Daniel Tye, Wilmot, £1.

Best 1 year old Heifer.

1 J. P. Gage, Wellington Square, £2 10s; 2 Daniel Tye, Wilmot, £1 10s; 3 R. Ferrie & Co., Doon, £1.

Best Heifer Calf of 1852.

1 J. Masson, Cobourg, £1 10s; 2 do do £1; 3 Daniel Tye, Wilmot, 10s.

CLASS C.—HEREFORDS.

JUDGES.—Wm. Balkwell, J. P. Wheeler, J. B. Carpenter.

Best Bull.

Baron de Longueuil, £5 10s.

Best 1 year old Bull.

1 Baron de Longueuil, £3 10s; 2 do do, £2 5s.

Best Cow.

1 Baron de Longueuil, £5; 2 do do, £3.

CLASS D.—AYRSHIRES.

JUDGES.—Gavin Caldwell, William Evans, John Walton.

Best Bull.

1 J. B. Ewart, Dundas, £6 10; 2 David Jones, Sidney, £4; 3 William Miller, Flamboro' West, £2 10s.

Best 2 years old Bull.

1 J. B. Ewart, Dundas, £4 10s.