

ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW
PRONOUNCED SUCCESS

There is Magnificent Display—
List of the Prize Winners

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The drill hall was a blaze of color last night, the first evening of the sixth annual flower show of the Victoria Horticultural society, and never probably in its history has been shown such a beautiful, tastefully arranged exhibit of the floral resources of Victoria. Down the centre of the long room was a broad table heaped with a profusion of blossoms of every kind and bedded in heavy masses of dark green foliage with here and there a giant fern towering over its fragrant companions. The Australian tree fern and the magnificent maiden hair are alone well worth a visit.

On either side of the central stand are a number of small tables entered in the competition for dinner table decorations. One and all are models of dainty taste and artistic feeling while some of the exhibits are superb. The effect is made by the flowers alone, for neither silver candlesticks, silk nor ribbons are allowed, a stipulation which cost Mrs. H. R. Beaven the second prize, her beautiful creation with a central scheme of white pond lilies over a mirror being ruled out because the glass was rimmed with silver.

On either side again were fresh masses of color, for there were the cut flowers and smaller pot plants arranged, cactus, dahlias, gladioli, sweet peas, stocks, roses, phlox and petunias in endless array of dainty and bewildering beauty. The end of the great hall was strikingly colored with a background of flags the Union Jack and red ensign predominating. Here was the tea room, hung with festoons and but partly screened from the rest of the hall by hanging baskets of the choicest flowers, including several prize winners. Here Mrs. Genze presided over the good things assisted by a bevy of Victoria's belles, dainty but charming in white. Among these pretty attendants were the Misses Pooley, Dunsmuir, Brotherhood, Pitts, M. Pitts, Tilton, Mason, D. Mason, Peters and Mara.

From the gallery above the scene presented a most striking one. The centre dark shrubs, and massive ferns picked out and surrounded with every shade of nature's hues, the bright dresses of the lady visitors flitting hither and thither between the blossom-laden trestles, and the rich red of the flags and drapery combined to make a vista of beauty the prosaic drill hall had not yet seen.

The professional exhibit was of high quality, if not so extensive as might have been expected. Flewings gardens being the chief exhibitor and carrying off most of the prizes in the florists classes. They took the prize for the collection of house plants, the first prize for six varieties of ferns and the second for the collection of twelve foliage plants. Among the cut flowers they took first for Asters in 12 colors and first for Cactus Dahlias in 12 colors and first for the same flowers in six colors. They also took first prize for Gladioli, 12 varieties, but the Lansdowne Floral company won the collection of Perennial Herbaceous, with Flewings Gardens second. The Lansdowne Floral company also took first prize for 12 varieties of Perennial Phlox, but the Oakland Nursery company took the prize for 12 varieties of named roses, shown singly in vases, with the Flewings Gardens second. The result that was exactly reverse in the prize for the six varieties of roses. Other results in this class were: Sweet peas, six varieties, Flewings Gardens; presentation of cut flowers, Flewings Gardens.

Pot Plants, Amateurs, Class B
There was a keen competition among the amateurs in the pot plants exhibit. Mrs. Henry Croft was supreme with her beautiful ferns, winning all four first prizes and the main award, but F. B. Pemberton and F. H. Wollaston fought hard over the begonias, coming out with honors above even on the class. The results were: Begonias, tuberous, single, F. H. Wollaston; begonias, tuberous, double, F. B. Pemberton; begonias, tuberous, double, 10, Mr. Wollaston first and Mr. Pemberton second; begonias, tuberous, double, 3, F. B. Pemberton. Mr. Wollaston won the prize for the collection of not less than 15 begonias, with F. B. Pemberton second. Mr. Pemberton won both prizes for the coleus and ferns. He was also second with 12 ferns, while Mr. Wollaston was second to Miss M. Sherburn for the specimen plant in foliage.

Cut Flowers, Amateur, Class B
Class B amateurs, cut flowers, brought forth the applicants, and on the whole J. C. Newbury was most successful with dahlias, Mrs. Rithet with the gladioli, F. B. Pemberton with the phlox and J. A. Bland among the sweet peas. The results are:
Annals, collection, 12 varieties, named—W. Warburton first and Mrs. G. M. Irving second.
Asters, four colors, six of each—Second, Mrs. G. G. Galletley.
Carnations, border collection—First, W. F. Burton.
Dahlias, cactus, 24 blooms, distinct colors—First, J. C. Newbury.
Dahlias, cactus, 12 blooms, distinct colors—First, F. J. C. Newbury.
Dahlias, cactus, six blooms, distinct colors—1, J. C. Newbury; 2, Mrs. F. Sylvester.
Dahlias, collection one specimen each, named—1, J. C. Newbury; 2, Gladioli, 24 colors, one spike each, shown singly—1, F. B. Pemberton; 2, W. F. Burton.
Gladioli, 12 colors, one spike each, shown singly—1, Mrs. Rithet; 2, C. H. Arundell.
Gladioli, 6 colors, one spike each, shown singly—1, Mrs. Rithet; 2, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Gladioli, three colors, one spike each, shown singly—1, Mrs. Rithet; 2, F. B. Pemberton.
Holly hocks, double, 12 blooms, not less than six colors—1, Mrs. H. R. Beaven; 2, F. B. Pemberton.
Lilliums, in vase—1, Mrs. H. R. Beaven; 2, F. B. Pemberton.
Pansies, two colors, one specimen each—1, Miss M. Sherburn.
Pansies, 12 colors, one specimen each—1, Miss M. Sherburn; 2, Mrs. Galletley.
Perennials, hardy herbaceous, 12 varieties—W. Warburton.
Phlox perennials, 12 varieties—1, F. B. Pemberton; 2, W. Warburton.

Phlox perennial, six colors—1, F. B. Pemberton; 2, J. C. Newbury.
Phlox Drummondii, 12 colors, three stems each—1, J. C. Newbury.
Roses, six in vase, own foliage—1, J. A. Bland; 2, Miss M. Sherburn.
Salpiglossis, six colors, three spikes each in vases—1, Mrs. Rithet; 2, Mrs. Galletley.
Sweet peas, 24 varieties, shown separately, 10 specimens each, named—1, Mrs. H. R. Beaven; 2, J. A. Bland; 3, Mrs. H. R. Beaven; 4, J. A. Bland; 5, Mrs. H. R. Beaven; 6, Mrs. H. R. Beaven; 7, Mrs. H. R. Beaven; 8, Mrs. H. R. Beaven; 9, Mrs. H. R. Beaven; 10, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
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Sweet peas, yellow, 20 stems, one variety named—1, J. A. Bland; 2, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Sweet peas, red, 20 stems, one variety named—1, J. A. Bland; 2, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Sweet peas, blue, 20 stems, one variety named—1, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Sweet peas, striped and flaked, 20 stems, one variety named—1, J. A. Bland; 2, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Sweet peas, white, 20 stems, one variety named—1, J. A. Bland; 2, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Sweet peas, lavender, 20 stems, one variety named—1, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Sweet peas, maroon, 20 stems, one variety named—1, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Sweet peas, striped and flaked, 20 stems, one variety named, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Sweet peas, picotee edged, 20 stems, one variety named—1, J. A. Bland; 2, Mrs. H. R. Beaven.
Sweet peas, and other color, 20 stems, one variety named—1, J. A. Bland.

LIVES BLOTTED OUT
BY STORM IN IOWA

Three Dead and Four Injured—
Heavy Damages to Property
In Several Places

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 7.—A special despatch from Mason City, Ia., says: Three persons were killed and four injured and thousands of dollars of damage was done on Tuesday evening by the tornado. The dead are: Ashland T. Weed, farmer, of Hamilton, his wife and son. The injured were: Mr. Harrison, dislocations, arm broken and internal injuries; Mrs. Fulmy, Elma, Ia., internal injuries; Gladys Verney, Clear Lake, arm broken; Fred Giltliat, Lake Mills, shoulder crushed.

Winona, Minn., Aug. 7.—Latest reports of the damage done by yesterday afternoon's storm increase the estimate of \$100,000 damage. Several hundred feet of track on the C. & N. R. north of Trempealeau, which ran along a high dyke, was washed to the depth of about twenty feet. No trains have reached Winona on any road, but the C. & N. W. reports heavy damage west of here on the Minnesota division. There is no telephone communication with outside towns, and the telegraph lines are very badly crippled. Street car traffic, which was stopped by the storm last night, was not resumed until late this morning, owing to the fact that the trolley wires were down and the track blocked by trunks of fallen trees.

Among the establishments wholly or partly destroyed in this city were: Bay State Flouring mill, elevator, Winona opera house, Laird Morton's old mill, Empire Lumber company's saw mill, the International Harvester company's warehouse, Joseph Lelahi's building. The path of the storm, though it was not of the twister character, is said to be clearly distinguishable. It seems to have originated near Toyota, 35 miles west of here, and to have swept the country between there and this city almost clean. From the direction of the wind during the storm here it was thought to have come further east. The storm struck this city about 5 o'clock, and although it lasted only forty-five minutes it was severe enough to bring down so many wires all over the town that it was not thought safe to send the current through the trolley or electric light lines. The telephone service is tied up because of the number of trees and poles which have fallen.

Lacrosse, Wis., Aug. 7.—A cyclone burst lasting a quarter of an hour last night washed out the tracks and telegraph lines and tied up all traffic on the C. M. & St. P. and the C. B. & Q. railroads. The wires were snapped on the Milwaukee road and near Repen on the Lacrosse division of the Burlington.

Due to Ill Health
Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 7.—Hon. G. W. Delamater, Republican candidate for governor in 1891, committed suicide in his office in the Diamond Bank building, August 13, at attention to his incompetency due to ill-health was the cause of the rash act.

Albert Offended
Paris, Aug. 7.—Because he was hissed by the townspeople of Montpelier, when he arrived there on Sunday last, after having been released from prison, Marcel Albert, the leader in the recent disturbances in the wine growing region of the south, has resigned his membership in the Argelliers committee.

Only an Adventurer
Toronto, Aug. 7.—Etta Fox Strangeways, arrested here after victimizing hotels and prominent society people, will waive extradition and go to the United States for trial. She is still in jail and lives on jail fare. This adventurer, described in New York despatches as a woman of great beauty does not seem to be at all deterred by her good looks to Toronto. The police have photographed her, and she is far from winning, with hard features and a worn look.

REDUCTION PLANT DESTROYED
Mill of Old Telluride Company in Colorado Burned
Colorado Springs, Aug. 7.—Three-fourths of the Golden Cycle Mining company's million dollar reduction plant, located in the foothills south of Colorado City, was destroyed by fire Tuesday evening at 10:30. The fire originated in the roasting works and spread rapidly to other buildings. The plant was formerly known as the Telluride mines, and owned by eastern capitalists. It was destroyed in the millmen's strike which terminated in the Cripple Creek difficulty. Shortly after the strike the mills and roasting works were closed down by J. T. Milliken, of Illinois and associates, who opened the plant and made extensive improvements. The mill was the largest cyclone mill in the west, and had been in operation but a few weeks. As large contracts are held at Cripple Creek for ore, it is quite probable that the plant will be rebuilt.

SNAKE BITE CURED CANCER
Remarkable Case Reported From New York State
Chicago, Aug. 7.—A special despatch to the Inter-ocean from Ft. Jervis, N. Y., says, a remarkable cure of cancer has been effected on Mrs. Wilhelm Ludwig, a farmer's wife. Mrs. Ludwig has suffered from cancer on the left leg, just above the knee, for a long time. While out picking huckleberries two weeks ago she was bitten on the ankle by a rattlesnake. From this the woman's leg swelled to an enormous size, but the swelling did not extend above the cancer. It had the appearance of ink fringed with red previously, and turned into a running sore. It continued in this condition for four days, but on the fourth day the discharge stopped and proud flesh began to make its appearance. The snake poison had worked all through the above the swelling disappeared and the theretofore ugly looking cancer began to heal and to run a healthy flesh color. Last Thursday the wound began to heal and yesterday Mrs. Ludwig was in town, almost cured.

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Solid quarter sawed Golden Oak Combination China Cabinet and Buffet, regular value \$45. August sale price \$36. Friday's special price \$24.50.
Solid quarter sawed Golden Oak Buffet, with 3-4 cabinet base and large British plate mirror, regular value \$40. August sale price \$32. Friday's special price \$24.50.
A Line of Solid Quarter Sawed Golden Oak Buffets, bow front, pillar top, triple mirror in back, regular value \$45. August sale price \$29. Friday's special price \$24.50.

High Grade Pieces of Furniture Specially Reduced for Tomorrow's Selling Include the Following
Buffets, Dining Tables, Writing Tables, Sideboards, Parlor Suites, Card Tables, Davenport, Dresser Bureaus, Brass and Iron Bedsteads, Chiffoniers, China Cabinets, Dining Chairs, etc., etc. Call and inspect these special sale values.

Merchants' Picnic Today, the Store Remains Closed
Opening as Usual Tomorrow at 8:30 a. m.

BRUSSELS, TAPESTRY STAIR CARPETS, ETC.
Marked at Special Prices for Friday's Clearance
4,000 YARDS BEST BODY BRUSSELS
Including over 40 designs, all colors, this season's best productions, that sold regularly at \$1.40 and \$1.50 per yard. Borders and stairs for many. During August sale at, per yard \$1.15.
2,000 YARDS BODY BRUSSELS
Over 20 good designs of well woven English 4-frame Body Brussels Carpets, with stair and borders for some. Worth regular \$1.25 and \$1.35 per yard. August sale price, per yard \$90¢.
TAPESTRY STAIR CARPETS REDUCED
Over 50 designs in best woven English Tapestry Stair Carpets, 2-4, 5-8, and 3-4 yards widths. Reduced in price for August selling as follows:
All 50c Tapestry Stairs, August Sale, per yard \$38¢
All 60c Tapestry Stairs, August sale, per yard \$45¢
All 65c Tapestry Stairs, August sale, per yard \$50¢
All 75c Tapestry Stairs, August sale, per yard \$60¢
All 85c Tapestry Stairs, August sale, per yard \$70¢
SPECIAL PRICE ON ENGLISH AXMINSTER CARPETS
20 designs of high grade Axminster Carpets, borders for all a carpet with a reputation for durability and appearance. Regular price \$2.00 per yard. August sale price, per yard \$1.65.
ENGLISH AXMINSTER SQUARES
Sizes: 2 1/2 yards x 3 1/2 yards, 3 yards x 3 yards, 3 yards x 3 1/2 yards, 3 1/2 yards x 4 yards, 3 1/2 yards x 4 1/2 yards.
Reg. price \$30.00. August sale price \$25.50.
Reg. price \$36.00. August sale price \$30.50.
Reg. price \$42.50. August sale price \$36.00.
Reg. price \$46.50. August sale price \$39.50.
Reg. price \$57.50. August sale price \$48.75.

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