Huron Signal.

GODERICH, OCT. 13, 1875.

Thanksgiving Day.

Thursday, the 28th inst., has been appointed by the Governor-General as a day of public thanksgiving. We notice that the Bishop of Huron has named Sunday, the 24th inst., as a day of thanksgiving throughout this diocese. It was hoped last year that all religious denominations would recognize the same day, and we hope that this latter announcement will not interfere with the universal celebration of the day this year.

Appointment.

Mr. D. McDonald, of Brussels, of the firm of Squier & McDonald, has been appointed to the office left vacant by the death of John T. Ellwood. The appointment, we feel certain, will meet with general satisfaction, as Mr. McDonald is a young man of ability, well qualified for the office, and is in every way worthy of the commission. We congratulate him upon his appointment.

"H. W. B." on the Situation.

A correspondent writing to our town contemporary attempts the difficult task of showing that we erred in saying that McGowan's popularity was waning in West Wellington, as evidenced by the decrease in his majority of 99 in the last general election to a majority of 31 in the recent election—we might here state that the official returns still further reduce this majority to 28. The figures do not seem to be any evidence to this astute mathematician of any decrease in popularity; but he attempts to prove that McGowan gained 157 votes, and chalks down that number to the baiful of Conservative gains. New friend, look here in the McGowan-McKim contest the former had a majority of 98, and in the late election he had 29, which according to our arithmetic shows a decrease of 70 votes. And yet "H. W. B." puts McGowan with the Conservative gains, with 157 votes to his credit. Ridiculous!

Mr. Garbut polled exceedingly well, when we consider that he was fresh in the field whilst his opponent had been through previous contests with success. McGowan defeated a previous member by a majority of 98, and with this record his majority has been decreased to the present amount. His popularity in the western part of the constituency and the double dealing conduct of J. P. MacMillan, a quasi Reformer (who professed sympathy with Mr. Garbutt, while at the same time permitting his name to be used for the purpose of aiding Mr. McGowan) alone saved him from defeat.

"H. W. B." swallows, without a wink, the tale of Grit corruption promulgated by those unimpeachable authorities, the Guelph and Stratford *Heralds*, to the effect that Mr. D. D. Hay, M. P. P., and Mr. Gibson, M. P. P., had carried out Mowat Forest "Mr. Mowat's pledge of a County Town if the Government candidate were elected." Mr. Hay has emphatically denied this imputation, and as a sample of the spirit which moves Tory, being this tale is a disagreeable evidence, as well as the fact that one of the journals of that party refused to publish the denial which Mr. Hay addressed to it. "H. W. B." styles the few remarks we made as "trash," but it has proved food for his brain to work upon. His initials and the subject of his arguments are wonderfully well associated in the light of recent events, and "H. W. B." and scandal look perfectly natural in close association.

Here is the "rounded edge."

Agricultural Shows.

The show season, with all its associations agreeable and disagreeable, is virtually over, and we again hear the opinion which has been expressed at this season for so many years past:—"What is the use of so many shows; why don't we combine more and have better and larger ones, with less of the trouble, expense and unsatisfactory results that accompany the present system." The introduction of Electoral District Agricultural Societies has a tendency to abolish many of the faintly existing township and branch societies, and gives some magnitude to the organization. And possibly a few years' trial of this system will have the effect of killing out all but electoral district societies. Agricultural shows are very good in their purpose and results, but the business is overdone, and the exhibitions under the auspices of barely existing societies are very unsatisfactory and so way beneficial in their results. A competitor has not the opportunity at a local show which he has at one representing a greater portion of the county in winning credit, and making beneficial observations. It is generally the case in these small shows that Mr. So-and-so has always taken first prizes for stock, another gentleman for years carries off the honors in fruit, another is unapproachable in roots and so on, and each exhibitor has a little preserve of his own in which his right is to carry off the first prize, and he only encroaches upon his neighbor so far as to show some ordinary articles to carry off a second prize. This does not encourage a pure competition, and the result is that a person will reach a certain point where he will remain until some other person has the audacity to approach and beat him.

If the County of Huron could be contented with its three Riding shows, the result would be highly satisfactory. Then a county show might be inaugurated, and the choicest portion of the three brought together, a fair estimate of the county's wealth, resources and characteristics would be obtainable. By combining enterprise the electoral societies could be made so popular that smaller ones would die out, and special inducements offered to exhibitors in the way of prizes and accommodation would draw universal attention to their exhibitions. Give them a leading position, and the object is gained. As to a county show, it needs but an enterprising effort upon the part of some of our towns—which will derive great benefit therefrom, and can therefore afford to offer a large prize list and give inducements to exhibitors—to make a bid therefor. Clinton is centrally situated for this purpose, and has lines of railway running north, south, east and west; and Fortune seems to have chosen it for this purpose. But Goderich, has the means wherewith to inaugurate such a show, and, as the County Town, should do so. An effort is being made to secure a large show ground and erect proper buildings, so that we may be equal to other towns in this matter of accommodation.

Another matter we wish to refer to, and that is the introduction of competition between the counties of the Province, at the Provincial Exhibition. Many of the counties have become famous in some particular branch of agriculture, from the quality of the soil, the nature of the climate or some other cause, and to more clearly define might be set down as the chief feature in the exhibition, especially the horses and thorough-bred cattle. S. McDougall and John Glen had the best brood mares and foals, and divided prizes equally. The heavy draught class all through was up to the mark fully. In the general purpose class H. Girvin carries the first for a span of carriage horses of style and fine motion. Although ten entries were made in general purpose spans, only two put in an appearance. The thorough-bred cattle were all from the well-known stock men T. Dark and John Washington, and were choice. E. Gaunt had some fine grade stock, and J. Washington had the best calf, a very large and well-shaped animal. The judges had no difficulty except in working oxen. There were nine entries, and all good cattle, but the difficulty was as to the first prize, both oxen being well matched, and possessing the general good qualities necessary in this class of cattle. In Cotswold sheep, H. Snell carried nearly all before him, and he divided Leicesters with others. T. Dark had a fine flock of South Downs and carried all the prizes. The Suffolks and Berkshires were the sole occupants of the pig pens, and Joseph Govier was the leading exhibitor in the former class, which was upon the whole rather better than the latter. Poultry was not up to the mark in numbers.

PRIZE LIST.

FRUIT.—4 named varieties winter apples 5 of each variety, G. Sprung, 2nd Geo. Cox; Named collection of winter apples 5 of each variety, Geo. Cox; Named collection fall apples 5 of each variety Geo. Cox. A 2nd variety was entered wrong being winter apples. 9 Roxburgh Russets, T. Anderson; 9 Northern Spys, T. Anderson, 2nd Geo. Cox; 9 Snow apples, Geo. Cox, 2nd Wm. Graham; 9 Mammoth pippins, Geo. Cox, 2nd T. Anderson; 9 Spitzenburg, W. Hayden, 2nd John Glen; 9 Fall pippins, Wm. Glen, 2nd John Glen; 9 any other named variety, Wm. Hayden, 2nd T. Walsh; Two named varieties of Fall Pears 5 of each, T. Anderson; Two named varieties of Plums 5 of each, John Mosely, 2nd G. Sprung; Plate of Ponds Seedling Plums recommended highly John Mitchell; Collection open Grapes named, A. M. Ross, 2nd E. Bingham, 3rd Wm. Hayden; Plate of purple Crab Apples, T. Anderson, 2nd Geo. Webster; Plate of yellow Crab Apples, Alex. Pentland, 2nd G. Sprung; Plate of red Crab Apples, John Buchanan, 2nd G. Sprung; Three named varieties of Peaches 6 of each, John Mosely, 2nd Geo. Cox; Collection of Fruit extra prize $5.00 by A. M. Ross M. P. P., John Glen, 2nd Geo. Cox, recommended; Best two bushels of Treadwell fall wheat, R. McClean, 2nd John Buchanan, 3rd E. Cranston; German Muncy fall wheat, recommended to Thos. Fowler. 1st prize; Two bushels spring wheat Fife, D. McNein, 2nd John Pentland; Two bushels spring wheat Club, Chas. Girvin, 2nd D. Mellwain; Two bushels Rye, D. McIlwain; Two bushels Barley, D. McIlwain, 2nd C. Girvin, 3rd Alex. Pentland; Two bushels Small Peas, Chas. Girvin, 2nd Alex. Pentland, 3rd D. McIlwain; Two bushels Large Peas, D. McIlwain; Two bushels White Oats, D. McIlwain 2nd John Baillie; Two bushels Black Oats, Robt. Buchanan, 2nd R. Treleaven; Bushel Flax Seed, Henry Holland, 2nd D. McNein, 3rd Geo. Webster; Bushel Timothy Seed, D. McIlwain, 2nd Chas. Durnin, 3rd H. Holland.

Golden Russett recommended, Wm. Hayden. Seedlings, which appear to be the 13 ox. cluster pippin, although not entered correctly, were recommended. A plate of St. Lawrence apples entered in a collection of fall apples, although all were wrongly named and the former named as Strawberry, the judges would like to have given it a 2d prize as it was a fine clean apple. Robert Haigan had a very well selected variety of winter apples, which were wrongly named as fall apples, but the judges recommended a 2d prize.

MANUFACTURES.—Ten yards Cloth home made, John Barber, 2d D. Girvin, 3d Jas. McNight; Ten yards Flannel home made D. Girvin, 2d John Baile, 3d John Robinson; Ten yards Cloth, factory made, John Baille, 2d John Robinson, 3d T. Fowler. Pair Blankets factory made, T. Fowler, 2d T. Anderson, 3d C. Dunin; Pair Horse Blankets recommended H. McPherson; 1 Piece Tweed Cloth, recommended, Mrs. R. Taylor, Barel of flour S. B. Sombra; Specimen of undressed flax, Geo. Cox, 2nd H. Levy; Pair of yoke, Jas. Hayden (Toy Bar); Specimen handiwork in wood by Mrs. G. Sprung, 2d R. Buchanan.

VEGETABLES.—Three varieties Potatoes peck of each, John Buchanan, 2d John Bailie; Four heads Winter Cabbage E. Bingham, 2d G. Sprung; Nine Blood Beets, T. Anderson, 2d Geo Cox; Nine Mangel Wurtzels, E. Bingham, 2d T. Anderson; Nine Swede Turnips, John Morris, 2d J. H. Taylor; Nine Long field Carrots, Geo. Cox, 2d C. Brow; Nine Early Horn Carrots, E. Bingham, 2d James McNight; Peck Onion Jas. McNight, 2d E. Bingham; Twelve Ears Corn, Geo. Cox; Three Watermelons, John Glen, 2d E. Bingham; Large Orange table Carrots recommende, J. McNight, 2d E. Bingham; Scarlet Nance Carrots recommended, E. Bingham; Peck Tomatoes, E. Bingham, 2 T. Anderson; Large Squash, John Gen; Celery, E. Bingham; Collection Garden Produce, E. Bingham; Collection Flowers, E. Bingham, 2d T. Anderson; Sweet Corn, recommended, E. Bingham.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Ten pounds Table Butter salted for use in rolls or prints, Chas. Irwin, 2d R. Treleaven, 3d John McWhiney; Tub of salt Butter not less the 25 lbs, H. Girvin, 2d Chas. Durnin 3d Jas. Rosa; Cheese not less than 2 lbs. Factory made, R. Clendennin, 2d G. Sprung, 3d R. Clendenning; Cheese not less than 12 lbs home made, Miss Lizzie Buchanan, 2d John Buchan, 3d T. Anderson; 10 lbs. Maple sugar, 2d R. Treleaven; 10 lbs. Honey Comb, G. Sprung; Loaf home made bread, H. McPherson, 2d R. Clendenning, 3d C. Girvin.

LADIES' WORK.—Gents Shirt, linen front had made, Mrs. T. Welsh, 2d Miss Jane Varcoe, 3rd T. Anderson; Gents Shirt linen front, machine made, Wm. Graham; Gents fancy Flannel shirt, John Pentland, 2d Miss Lizzie Buchanan, 3d Miss L. Buchanan; Pair of Cotton Chemise handmade, Miss S. J. Cox, 2d Miss Cox, 3d Miss S. Payne; Night Dress, Miss S. Cox, 2d Miss M. Mosely, 3d Miss Penc; Tatting, Miss Mosely, 2d Miss Penc; Crochet work, Miss Mosely, 2d Miss E. Woodman, 3d Miss Fowler; Embroidery in cotton or muslin Mrs. Anderson, 2d Miss Barkwell, 3d Miss Mosely; Embroidery in worsted, Miss Morris, 2d Miss Mosely; Fancy Leather work, Miss Mosely, 2d Miss Mosely, 3d Miss Barkwell; Bead Work, Mrs. C. Wilson, 2d Miss Mosely, 3d Miss M. Hiscocks; Fancy Braiding, Miss Pentland, 2d Mrs. C. Wilson, 3d Miss Mosely; Fancy Knitting, Miss Mosely, 2d Miss J. Ellis, 3d John Bailie; Fancy Patched Work, Miss Payne, 2d Mrs. C. Wilson, 3d Mrs. Disher; Patched Quilt in Cotton Miss W. Mallough, 2d Miss J. Ellis, 3d Miss Kitson; Patched Quilt in Wool, Miss Girvin, 2d Miss M. Holland, 3d Miss Payne; Feather Flowers, Mrs. Disher, 2d Miss Payne, 3d Miss Payne; Hair Flowers, Miss L. Buchanan, 2d Miss L. Morris, 3d Miss M. Barkwell; Paper Flowers, Miss M. Hiscocks, 2d Miss J. Varcoe; Berlin Wool Flowers, Miss Bella Smith, 2d Mrs. C. Wilson; Berlin Wool Work Flat, Miss M. Dickson, 2d Miss L. Morris, 3d Mrs. C. Wilson; Berlin Wool Work raised, Miss Ellis, 2d Miss Payne, 3d Miss L. Buchanan; Rag Mat, Miss J. Ellis, 2d Miss E. Woodman, 3d Miss L. Buchanan; Pair woolen Stockings, Miss L. Morris, Mrs. McPherson, 2d Mrs. C. Durnin; Pair woolen Socks, Mrs. J. Robinson, 2d Mrs. T. Anderson, 3d Mrs. C. Durnin; Pair woolen Gloves Mrs. H. McPherson, 2d Mrs. H. McPherson; 3d Miss L. Buchanan; Pair woolen Mitts, Mrs. J. Pentland, 2d Mrs. H. McPherson, 3d Mrs. H. Girvin; Patch on an old garment or piece of cloth, Mrs. Wm. Dickson, 2d Miss Payne, 3d Miss Payne; Darn on a Sock or Stocking, Mrs. Wm. Dickson; 2d Miss Payne, 3d Miss Payne; Fancy Quilt Work, Mrs. Disher, 2d Miss Payne; Fancy Cross Work, Miss Payne, 2d Miss Payne; Fancy Cone Work, Miss M. Barkwell, 2d Miss Payne, 3d Miss Payne; Farmers' Wreath of Seeds, Miss L. Morris, 2d Miss M. Holland;

SPECIAL.—Moss wreath, Miss M. Holland; Collection of Dentistry, John Barkwell; Chenille work, Miss Minnie Dickson; Embroidery in silk, Mrs. Disher, 2d Miss Payne; Needle work, Miss Payne; Sampler work, in cardboard, Miss M. Morris, 2d Miss Wilson; Autumn leaves, Miss S. Dickson; Collection butterflies and wild flowers, Miss J. Bell; Bead Basket, Miss Barkwell; Bead work, Miss Mosely; Patched Quilt in Cotton, Mrs. Wm. Dickson; Counterpane, Arch. Bell, 2d H. F. Baker.

IMPLEMENTS.—Side-harrowed wagon recommended to Knox & Rothwell for a prize; Two Horse Buggy, Knox & Rothwell, 2d T. B. McArthur, 3d T. B. McArthur; One Horse Buggy, Cameron & Miller, 2d T. B. McArthur, 3d Cameron & Miller; Covered One Horse Buggy recommended to Knox & Rothwell for special; Two Horse Cultivator, B. Bell & Son; Pair Iron Harrows, D. K. Strachan; Pair Wooden Harrows, J. Brown; Turnip Seed Drill, B. Bell & Son; Strawcutter, recommended to Thompson & Williams; Sett Horse Shoes from the Hammer, R. Pentland; Mower recommended to B. Bell & Son special; Wooden Axle Lumber Waggon, J. Brown, 2d R. Thompson, 3d W. Stothers; Iron Plough, T. Lawrence, 2d D. K. Strachan; Iron beam Plough, T. Lawrence, 2d R. Renchman; Subsoil Plough, B. Bell & Sons; Horse Hoe, B. Bell & Son; Seed Drill, J. O. Wisner & Son, 2d L. D. Sawyer; Farm Gate, J. Henry.

HORSES—HEAVY DRAUGHT — Brood Mare, John Glen, 2d S. McDougall, 3d J. W. Jackman; Spring Foal, Colt or Filly, S. McDougall, 2d John Glen; Two year old Filly, J. J. Fisher; One year old Filly, John Glen, 2d J. J. Fisher; Heavy Draught Team, J. J. Fisher, 2d Jas Young, 3rd Jas Ross

GENERAL PURPOSE — Brood Mare, 1st prize donation by A. M. Ross, M. P. P., John Robertson, 2d R. Treleaven, 3d D. Girvin; Spring Foal, Colt or Filly, R. Treleaven, 2d, J. Robertson, 3rd, D. Girvin; Two year old filly, J. Washington, 2d T. Anderson, 3d D. Girvin; Span General Purpose Horses, Mares or Geldings, Geo. Bissett, 2d John Boyd; Buggy Horse, Mare or Gelding, R. Buchanan, 2d R. Treleaven, 3d John Morris; Saddle Horse, Mare or Gelding, J. Green, 2d R. Buchanan, 3d R. Treleaven.

THOROUGHBRED CATTLE.—Milch Cow, John Washington, 2d T. Dark, 3d John Washington; Two year old Heifer, T. Dark, 2d T. Dark; Bull calf, J. Washington; Heifer Calf, T. Dark, 2d T. Dark, 3d John Washington; Herd, consisting of three females and one male, John Washington, 2d T. Dark.

NATIVE OR GRADE CATTLE.—Cow, having raised calf in 1875, donation by Mr. Clendinning, 3 lbs tea, 2d 2 lbs. E Gaunt, 2d John Washington, 3d Jas Rose; Two year old Heifer, E. Gaunt, 2d E. Gaunt; One year old Heifer, C. Girvin, 2d T. Anderson; Ball Calf, H. Taylor, 2d W. Stothers; Heifer Calf, Spring, J. Washington, 2d T. Dark; Yoke two year old Steers, Geo. Smith, 2d D. McIlwain; Fat Ox, Steer or Heifer, C. Girvin, 2d C. Girvin; Yoke of Working Oxen, Jas McLean, 2d Jas Younz, 3d R. Treleaven.

Fat Cow, recommended, Geo Smith, 2d C. Girvin.

SHEEP — LEICESTER AND THEIR GRADES.—Aged Ram, E. Gaunt, 2d A. Cameron, 3d John Washington; Shearling Ram, J. D. Stewart, 2d T. Anderson, 3d Geo. Currail; Ram Lamb, H. Snell, 2d E. Gaunt, 3d John Washington; Pair aged Ewes, H. Snell, 2d J. C. Baldwin; Pair Shearling Ewes, H. Snell, 2d J. C. Baldwin, 3d A. Cameron; Pair Ewe Lambs, J. C. Baldwin, 2d T. Anderson.

SOUTH DOWNS, —special.— Ram, T. Dark, 2d, T. Dark; Aged Ewes, special T. Dark, 2d T. Dark; Shearling, special, T. Dark; Ewe Lambs, special, T. Dark.

COTSWOLDS AND THEIR GRADES.—Aged Ram, Jas Rose; Ram Lamb, H. Snell; Pair aged Ewes, H. Snell; Pair Shearling Ewes, H. Snell; Pair Ewe Lambs, H. Snell.

PIGS—LARGE BREED.—Boar, T. McLachlan, 2d Jos Tewsley; Sow, Jos Govier, 2d T. McLachlin; Boar Pig, under one year old, Jos Govier, 2d T. McLachlan.

SMALL BREED—SUFFOLK.—Boar, R. Taylor; Sow, T. Disher; Boar Pig, under one year old, Jos Govier, 2 Jos Govier, 3d J. W. Jackman; Sow Pig, under one year old, Jos Govier, 2d Jos Govier, 3rd T. Disher.

* SMALL BREED—BERKSHIRE.— Sow, T. Anderson, 2d A. Pentland; Boar Pig, under one year old, R. Haigan, 2d R. Haigan, 3d R. Haigan; Sow Pig, under one year old, T. Anderson.

POULTRY.—Pair Fowls, any improved breed, Jas Rose; Pair Brahma Pootras, E. Pacey, 2d Brown; Pair Black Spanish, T. Welsh; Pair Polands, W. Graham; Pair Turkeys, T. Anderson, 2d W. Graham; Pair Geese, C. Girvin, 2d Jno Robertson; Pair Ducks, W. Graham, 2d R. Haigan; Pea Fowls, W. Graham.

JUDGES:

FRUIT.—Thos. Hood and Alex. McD. Allan of Goderich, and M. Burgess of Ashfield.

GRAIN AND ROOTS.—Walter Treleaven, Jas. Crawford and Geo. Harris.

DAIRY PRODUCE AND MANUFACTURES. —E. Bingham and J. H. Williams of Goderich, and Robt. Govenlock.

LADIES' WORK.—Mrs. Hartley, Miss Haskell and Mrs. J. M. Roberts.

IMPLEMENTS.—Wm. Downs, Robert. Govenlock, Robt Currie and J. Runciman.

HORSES.—J. T. Duncan, V. S. and E. Martin, of Goderich, and J. W. Hickson.

CATTLE.—D. B. Hodge, James Wilson and John Wightman.

SHEEP, SWINE AND POULTRY.—John Govier, Isaac Salkeld and Geo. Currell.

Colborne Fall Show.

The annual fall show was held at Smith's Hill on 5th inst., and was a grand success, both as regards the number of entries and the quality of the various articles. As a township show, Colborne certainly takes the lead, and indeed may justly be placed side by side with the other shows. The inside department was, taken as a whole, far before our Horticultural, especially the Ladies department which was filled to overflowing and the general average of the work was excellent and some very superior. One point worthy of note was the fact that all the work was new and of home manufacture and largely the Colbornites. We like to see the young ladies taking a lively interest in these exhibitions, and perhaps this fact accounts more than any, for their success. It would be useless to single out individuals or point to a few specially noticeable articles; we think it sufficient to point to the prize list and remark that the Colborne young ladies have taken the palm from Goderich, and unless the latter beatir themselves they will never be able to claim it back. The fruit was also excellent, especially apples. We were glad to see that there was less incorrect naming than at the Horticultural, and we believe that a good deal might be done towards perfection in this point if the producer would exercise more caution in selecting, always bring due care to deal with no strange agent without the very best of home reference. We notice a good deal of fruit of the useless class, fine in appearance no doubt, but of no further benefit to the producer than mere show, and in dealing with such the judges do right to withold prizes and award such to the more deserving varieties. A beautiful specimen of the 13 ounce pippin was shown. The display of dairy produce was large and the judges must have had a task to come to a decision. As a matter of course vegetables were large and abundant. The live stock list was not filled as well as it should, although there were some very superior horses; but we always look for this, as Colborne takes a principal part at other and larger exhibitions in horse flesh. Mr. J. Glen's and Mr. S. McDougall's mares and foals were among the finest for farm or heavy draught purposes. The show was deficient in cattle, some of the best stock raisers not thinking it worth while to drive out their herds. Sheep and swine were not up to the mark, although the prize takers were fine animals. There was not keen competition in poultry, but the birds were well worthy of exhibition room and the prizes awarded them. In buggies our enterprising carriage builders Messrs Knox and Rothwell were the chief exhibitors, and as a matter of course were awarded prizes. Mr. Brown of the Hill had a farmer's waggon of solid make and good finish. Mr. James Hayden's toy barn was one of the interesting features of the department, and we hope another year to see other boys competing in handiwork. We noticed a newly patented churn of a simple and evidently superior style, which we hoped the judges would recommend a special. Messrs Armstrong & Sons, of Goderich, had their new spring seat on the ground also. It is very simple and cheap and will prove a boon to the farmer. Mr. Strachan still keeps the first rank for his iron harrows.

PRIZE LIST.

HORSES. Heavy draught.—Best brood mare and foal, 1st J. Glenn, 2nd J. W. Jackman, 3rd S. McDougall. Two year old Gelding, J. J. Fisher. Year old filly or gelding, J. Glen, 2nd J. J. Fisher, and J. J. Fisher.

GENERAL PURPOSE HORSES.—Brood mare and foal, J. Robertson, 2nd R. Treleaven, 3rd J. Buchanan. Two year old gelding, J. O. Stewart, 2nd H. Levy, 3rd G. Sprung. Two year old filly, J. Washington, 2nd T. Anderson, 3rd, T. Hamilton. Year old filly or gelding, J. Buchanan, 2nd C. Stewart, 3rd A. Young. Span general purpose horses, H. Jewell, 2nd W. Hasler, 3rd J. Boyd. Span carriage horses, H. Girvin, 2nd G. Gibbons. Buggy horse, single, R. Buchanan, 2nd R. Treleaven, 3rd J. Morris. Saddle horse, A. Green, 2nd R. Buchanan, 3 & 4 A. Young.

CATTLE—THOROUGHBRED.—Best milch cow having raised a calf in 1875, 1st J. Washington, 2nd J. Washington; heifer calf, 1st J. Washington.

GRADE CATTLE.—Milch cow, having raised a calf in 1875, extra by H. Horton, Esq., M. P.; 1st J. Washington, 2nd J. Ross, 3rd Robt. Bedell. Two year old heifer, C. Girvin, 2nd do., 1st J. Ross. Year old heifer, R. Hewitt. Spring calf, John Washington, 2nd do., 3rd J. Ross. Fat steer or steer, C. Young, 2nd do., 3rd A. Young. Milch cow or heifer, C. Girvin, 2nd D. McKenzie, 3rd C. Young. Yoke two year old steers, D. McIlwain. Yoke three year old steers C. Girvin, 2nd do. Yoke working oxen, 1st Jas. McLean, 2nd J. Young, 3rd R. Treleaven. Herd of grade cattle, extra prize by Wm. Young, Esq., for one bull, two cows and two calves, R. Medd.

SHEEP.—Aged ram, J. Washington, 2nd J. Ross, 3rd A. Young. Shearling ram, J. O. Stewart, 2nd P. Carroll. Ram Lamb, J. Washington, 2nd J. O. Stewart, 3 d do. Pair aged ewes having raised lambs in 1875, J. Washington, 2nd P. Carroll, 3rd J. O. Stewart. Pair shearling ewes, J. Washington, 2nd J. O Stewart. Pair ewe lambs, G. Young, 2nd do., 3rd J. Bailie. Fat sheep, 1st G. Young, 2nd C. Stewart, 3rd Jas. O. St wart.

SWINE.—Aged Boar, J. Tewsley, 2nd J. Taylor. Aged sow and pigs of 1875, O. Jones, 2nd J. Tewsley. Boar of 1875, J. Govier, 2nd do., 3rd do. Sow, J. Govier, 2nd do., 3rd do.

POULTRY.—Pair of geese, J. Robertson, 2nd P. Carroll. Pair turkeys, Thos. Anderson. Pair ducks, R. Medd, 2nd P. Carroll. Pair black Spanish, J. Bogie; Pair brahmas, W. J. Hayden, 2nd do. Extra prize of $2.00 by Wm. Young, Esq., for the best collection of poultry, R. Medd.

GRAIN.—Two bushels of Treadwell wheat, R. Buchanan, 2nd R. Treleaven, 3rd P. Carroll. Two bushels fife spring wheat, M. Levy, 2nd J. Young. Two bushels any other kind, A. Young, 2nd M. Levy, 3rd D. McIlwain. Two bushels barley, 2nd R. Robertson. Two bushels large peas, P. Carroll, 2nd J. Bogie, 3rd M. Levy. Two bushels small peas, D. McIlwain, 2nd C. Girvin, 3rd P. Fisher. Two bushels black oats, R. Buchanan, 2nd T. David, 3rd R. Medd. Two bushels white oats, D. McIlwain, 2nd A. Young, 3rd J. Ross. Two bushels rye, R. Treadley, 2nd D. McIlwain, 3rd J. Varcoe. One bushel timothy seed, C. Howell, 2nd P. Carrol, 3rd D. McIlwain.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Best five pounds table butter, salted for use, N. Morrish, 2nd P. Fisher, 3rd M. Levy. Extra prize by E. Bingham of $4.00, given to have butter, R. Treleaven; 25 lbs., packed butter, J. Buchanan, 2nd N. Morrish, 3rd R. Medd. Cheese not less than 25 lbs., J. Buchanan, 2nd G. Young. 12 lbs. maple sugar, R. Treleaven; 1½ pounds honey in comb, W. Downs, 2nd G. Spring. Loaf of home-made bread, T. Hamilton, 2nd J. Windmill. Strained honey, extra, M. Levy. Maple syrup, recommended. Preserves, recommended.

VEGETABLES.—Four named varieties potatoes, peck of each, Jas. Tewsley, 2nd J. Buchanan, 3rd T. Travers. Four heads winter cabbages, G. Spring, 2nd W. Good, 3rd E. Bingham. Nine blood beets, G. Cox, 2nd P. Robertson, 3rd do. Nine Mangel Wur zel, T. Anderson, 2nd J. Bailie 3rd D. McIlwain. Swede turnips, J. Morris, 2nd G. Cox, 3rd M. Levy. Long orange carrots, E. Bingham, 2nd J. Glen. White Belgian, G. Cox, 2nd J. Bailie, 3rd A. McNeil. Table carrots, E. Bingham, 2nd M. Levy, 3rd J Young. Peck of onions, E. Bingham, 2nd P. Robertson, 3rd W. Good. 12 ears of corn, P. Fisher, 2nd G. Cox, 3rd M. Levy. Peck of Tomatoes, E. Bingham, 2nd M. Levy, 3rd G. Howell. Pumpkins, N Morrish, 2nd M. Levy. Squash, J. Ross, 2nd P. Fisher. Sweet corn, E. Bingham. Musk melon, A. M. Ross. Citron, G. Howes, 2nd G. Young. Water melon, J. Jenns. 2nd E. Bingham. Cauliflower, T. Hammond, E. J. Goldthorp. Collection of vegetables, extra prize of $3 by E. B. Scott, E. Bingham.

FRUIT.—Best collection of winter apples named, W. J. Hayden, 2nd J. Glen, 3rd G. Cox. 4 named varieties of winter apples, 5 of each, J. Goldthorp, 2nd P. Carroll, 3rd D. Fisher. Collection of fall apples, 5 of each kind named, P. Carroll, 2nd G. S Young, 3rd John Glen. 3 named varieties of pears, 5 of each, A. M. Ross, 2nd Thos. Anderson, 3rd Geo. Cox. Seedling apple, recommended, J. Mosely. 3 named varieties of plums, 5 of each, A. M. Ross, 2nd J. Mosely, 3rd J. Varcoe. Collection of grapes, 3 clusters of each, W. J. Hayden, 2nd R. Bingham. Plate of peaches, Geo Cox, 2nd H. Levy, 3rd J. Mosely. Plate of crab apples, J. Buchanan, 2nd T. Anderson, 3rd G. S. Young. Collection of flowers, E. Bingham. Collection of fruit, extra prize, of $5 by A. M. Ross, Geo. Cox. General collection of grapes, A. M Ross. Handiwork by a boy 15 years old, unassisted, W. J. Hayden.

LADIES' WORK. Fine shirt, linen front, hand made, T. Anderson. Fine shirt, linen front, machine made, T. Robertson. Tatting, J. Mosely, 2nd Miss S. Payne. Crochet work, J. Mosely, 2nd do., 3rd T. Robertson. Embroidery in cotton, G. Cox, 2nd J. Mosely, 3rd G. Cox. Fancy leather work, J. Mosely, 2nd do., 3rd Miss S. Payne. Embroidery in silk, Miss S. Payne. Wax flowers Miss Morris. Bead work J. Buchanan, 2nd T. Robertson. Fancy braiding, J. Mosely, 2nd G. Cox. Fancy knitting, T. Robertson, 2nd Miss G. Payne, 3rd T. Robertson, child's pinafore, E. Boss; Fancy knitted quilt, J Mosely; bead work, extra, Miss Maggie; bead work, Miss S. Payne; patched quilt in cotton, A McNeil, 2nd D. Fisher, 3rd J. Varcoe; patched quilt in wool, J Goldthorp, 2nd Miss S. Payne, 3rd J. Morris; feather flowers, Miss S. Payne, 2nd do, 3rd Miss E. Ryan; hair flowers, J. Buchanan, 2nd J. Morris; Paper Flowers, J. Varcoe, 2nd O. Jones; Berlin wool work, Hal. Miss Morris, 2nd Miss E Buchanan; 3rd Miss S Payne; counterpane in wool, G. Young, 2nd J. Windmill; fancy quilt, A. Watson; seed wreath, J. Morris; sample work, Miss Morris; Berlin wool work raised, A. Watson, 2nd T Dodd, 3rd do; cushion, raised, Miss S Payne; rag mat, T Dodd, 2nd Miss E. Buchanan; oil painting, Miss Morris; pair woolen stockings, Miss Morris, 2nd W. Good; pair woolen socks, J. Robertson, 2nd W Good, 3rd T. Anderson; pair woolen gloves, W. Good, 2nd do, 3rd J. Buchanan; pair woolen mits, Miss Buchanan and B. Wilson, 3rd W. Good; driving mitts, W. Good; patch on an old garment, Miss S Payne; darn on old sock or stocking, Miss S. Payne, 2nd do; stocking yarn, J. Robertson; home-spun yarn, J. Windmill; flannel shirt, Miss Buchanan; embroidery in linen, J. Mosely; patch work, Miss S. Payne; acorn work, do; shell work, do; cone work, do; knitted woolen shirt, Miss Mosely.

IMPLEMENTS.—Seed drill, J. O. Billington, 2nd T Williams. Hoe rake, J. Johnston, 2nd H Thompson. Double Buggy, Knox & Rothwell. Single buggy, Knox & Rothwell, 2nd R. Downs. Iron plough, D. K. Strachan. Horse Cultivator, B. Bell & Son. Wooden harrows, D. McIlwain. Iron harrows, D. K. Strachan. Horse rake, not entered, but recommended. Straw cutter, Thomson & Williams. Turnip drill, B. Bell & Son. Set horse shoes made by hammer, R. Thompson. Plough with wooden handles and iron beam, recommended, B. Bell & Son, 2nd Thomson & Williams'. Subsoil plough, recommended, B. Bell & Son. Patent churn, recommended, George C. Simpson. Bee hive recommended, P. Fisher.

MANUFACTURES.—10 yards home spun cloth, all wool, C. Young, 2nd J. Fisher, 3rd J. Ross. 10 yards home spun Union cloth, J. Bailie, 2nd T Robertson. Ten yards home-spun flannel, J. Windmill. Ten yards home-spun Union flannel, J. Robertson, 2nd J. Ross, 3rd G. Young. Pair of home-made blankets, G. Young, 2nd T. Anderson. Fancy stockings, G Young.

JUDGES.

HORSES.—A. Allen, E. Martin.

CATTLE.—R. Adams, A. W. McLean, and J. Higginbotham.

SHEEP, SWINE AND POULTRY.—W. Clark, Thos. Andrews, and J. Govier.

IMPLEMENTS.—A. Dickson, J. Runciman, and R. Johnston.

GRAIN, DAIRY PRODUCE, &c.—R. Clendenning, W. Harris, and R. Govenlock.

FRUIT, ROOTS, &c.—A. Watson, P. Adamson, and A. McD. Allan.

LADIES' DEPT.—Mrs. Mellish, Miss Edwards, and Miss Miller.

MASONIC SERMON.—On Sunday evening, the 3rd inst., Rev. Mr. Broley delivered a Masonic sermon to the members of the brethren of Morning Star Lodge, in Nile Church. The church was filled to its utmost capacity, and rapt attention was paid to the address. Mr. Broley chose for his text the 22nd chapter of Proverbs, 28th verse, and in an able manner he referred to the nature of Free Masonry, the objection taken against the organization, the benefits derived from the Association, and concluded with some eloquent remarks touching upon the duties of Masons to their brethren. The sermon was excellent, and very well received by the listeners.

LOCAL NEWS

PIANO, first class, for sale or to rent. Enquire at this office.

THANKS.—Mr. Wm. Hall, of Bayfield, has our thanks for a quantity of beautiful apples.

SALT WELL SOLD.—Mr. J. L. Sturdy has purchased the Kintsillen salt well for the sum of $3,100. This well originally cost $15,000.

PROF. J. T. EGAN.—This gentleman has gained a wide spread reputation as a skilful, trust-worthy and honorable physician, as the references printed in his advertisement in another column will show.

GROCERIES cheaper than ever. Trull & Field have determined to sell the whole of the large stock of fresh Groceries and Liquors at cost for cash or farm produce. Give them a call before purchasing elsewhere.

NOTICE.—To Grocers and Traders.—We are now prepared to furnish all grades of flour and feed. Also, will exchange flour for wheat to farmers.

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PERSONAL.—We are pleased to announce that Mrs. John Barnes, of this place, has been appointed matron of the Protestant Orphans Home, of London.

—Rev Wm. Forrest, of East Tilbury, occupied the pulpit of Knox Church, at the morning service last Sunday.

—At the United Temperance Grand Lodge meeting in Cobourg, last week, the following persons from this section were appointed officers:—President, Rev. G. A. Mitchell, B. A., Wingham; Vice President, R. L. Hunt, Lucknow; Treasurer, Jas Wadsley, Turnbull; Deputy Marshal, Miss C. Somerville, Lucknow.

NEW CHURCHES.—The Presbyterian church in Goderich Township and the one at Leeburn, in Colborne Township, are both under way, and are expected to be completed by Christmas. Mr. Rumball, of Bayfield, is contractor for the former, at a sum of $1,140, and Mr. Donald Cumming for the latter.

SALT MINING.—We understand that this much talked of scheme is to be thoroughly tested in our midst next year, Mr. Attrill having let the contract for sinking a shaft on the platform directly opposite the elevator. We have not been able to secure more definite particulars, but the work is to be begun in the spring.

DEATH OF PROF. FERGUSON.—The public will regret to learn of the death of this well-known blind performer on the Irish pipes, which took place on Tuesday afternoon. He had been ailing only four days, and was a vict