

DEVONS as a class are good and pretty numerous. Messrs. Allen, Butterfield and Phelps, being the principal exhibitors. But two Galloways were to be seen, while of Ayrshires there was just one.

GRADES from a large class, but there was nothing extra about them; there were crosses of Short-horns, Devons and Ayrshires among them. Some very large and fine grades of Short-horns were shown in the fat cattle class by Todd and Bowen, of Adrian.

SHEEP were a very numerous class, and we noticed that the Leicesters have nearly, if not quite outnumbered the Merinoes, owing mainly to the fact that many Canadians have brought over animals to exhibit for sale. S. Jones, of Oshawa, Ont., showed 16 pens of Leicesters and Southdowns; J. King and Wm., Lovering, of Ontario, (but of what place the cards do not tell) showed 14 pens of Leicesters; E. Mott, of Parkhill, Ont., 6 pens do; B. W. Robbins, Brighton, Mass., 6 pens do; O. A. Peck, Ypsilanti, 12 or 14 pens do. The Michigan Agricultural College showed pens of nearly every variety of sheep including some Black faces, from the heather mountains of Scotland.

SWINE.—There were a good many pens of excellent animals, mostly Chester Whites. S. Jones, of Oshawa, had several pens of Suffolk and Essex, as had also Col. Wood, Mr. Sibbie, and the Michigan Agricultural College; a very few Yorkshires, and two or three Berkshires were seen.

POULTRY.—There was but a small show, and we could not see a really good bird in the whole lot.

GRAIN AND VEGETABLES.—But for the Agricultural College the show for these departments would not equal that of a Township show here. The Agricultural College students showed a splendidly put up collection of seed grain, embracing over 100 varieties, and a collection of vegetables that for firmness of quality would be hard to beat; in it were no less than 58 varieties of potatoes. The Agricultural College is evidently doing a good work for the State, and to see the interest the students on the ground take in telling all about their work and their experiments, &c., one can but wish we could also have a good Agricultural College, with a staff of working professors that can put something better than theory into the students head.

FRUIT.—There was a whole building given to the fruit, but it was scarcely more than half filled. Here we saw the finest collection of foreign grapes we have yet seen—some magnificent branches of Syrian, White, nice Hamburghis, Chasselas, &c., were shown. The samples of out-door grapes was numerous, but very badly ripened. A great many apples, and some good pears were seen, especially a collection of 17 varieties of pears grown by Mr. E. Cooley, of Jackson, that were of fine form and colour and correctly named.

IMPLEMENTS.—The inside show did not amount to much, but the field implements were both numerous and good. A rotatory harrow was

shown, also a new style of iron frame harrow in sections that seems just the thing for new settlers, as it will rise or fall over stump roots or other inequalities without catching on them. It is made by J. E. Bates, of Charleston, Illinois. Several styles of potato diggers were shown, all light and portable, and seeming to be nearly after the pattern of the one in the *Canadian Farmer* of September. There was a great show of stoves, and also a fine assortment of farmers hardware, from the manufactory of Withinton, Cooley & Co., Jackson, Michigan.

Manufacturers' Hall contains much that is really good, noticeably some splendid flannels and tweeds from the Clinton Woollen Factory. A complete set of furniture in willow ware, and some beautiful sets of furniture in walnut and crimson satin, handsomely carved, made at the State Prison.

Floral Hall, which also included the ladies' work of Fine Arts, was a magnificent affair, and the best got up we have yet seen. In the centre was a fountain, round which were set the cut flowers embedded in wet moss, and they certainly looked bright, beautiful and fresh.

#### THE NEW ENGLAND FAIR.

The sixth annual exhibition of the New England Agricultural Society opened under favorable auspices, at the Forest City Park, on the 7th September. The grounds are capacious, and well fitted up. The number of entries were very large.

##### STOCK.

*Cattle*.—The show of Cattle is very large, much of it being of superior quality. A prominent feature is some fifty pairs of working oxen, for which the farmers and lumbermen of Maine and New Hampshire have long been justly celebrated. Specimens of

*Short Horns* would do credit to any fair.

The show of *Ayrshires* equalled the celebrated herds often seen at the New York State Fairs.

*Devons* are very numerous and particularly fine.

*Herefords* were not neglected, Burleigh and Shaw of Maine, having over thirty very choice animals. The number of

*Jersey Cows* exceeds any former show we have known, being near thirty in number, and attracting a large share of attention.

*Holstein or Dutch* were shown by W. W. Cheney and J. S. Monroe, of Massachusetts, embracing superior animals, noted for the quantity, rather than quality, of the milk produced, rendering water superfluous.

*Kerry Cattle*.—D. F. Appleton, of Massachusetts, presented a neat herd of bulls, cows and calves. The show of

*Grades and Native Cattle* was large, and of a creditable character.

*Horses* were shown in fair numbers, though by no means comparing favorably with cattle in number. There was a marked absence of choice matched and single horses. The prevailing taste