

in one class, as were also the Suffolks and Hampshires. The other breeds were shown separately, and in most of them there was keen competition, an extra judge often being required to settle the placing of the awards. The keenest competitions was in the Oxfords, Southdowns, Shropshires, and Liecesters, among the latter being a wether which took first prize in Chicago. In Cotswolds there was only one exhibitor, but his stock was of fine quality. In cross-breeds there was also many fine specimens.

The display of swine was characterised by both numbers and quality, there being about three hundred hogs present. Like the sheep exhibits, the hog pens were decorated with prize ribbons and photographs of some of the breeder's herds. The breeds most largely represented were the Yorkshires, Berkshires and Tamworths, while in Chester Whites, Duroc Jerseys, and Poland Chinas, the number of exhibitors was small, yet the animals were good specimens of the breeds. One noticeable feature was the absence of much of the annoying squealing which generally indicates the whereabouts of a hog pen. Another pleasant feature was the cleanliness about the whole exhibit, and the courtesey of those in attendance on the hogs. The bacon hog, which is so much in demand to-day, was certainly out in his best form.

The visitor was constantly reminded of the presence of the poultry by the crowing and squawking in the upper story; but on ascending one might well be astounded at the magnitude of the pet stock and poultry exhibit. It included live and dressed hens, turkeys, geese and ducks, as well as pigeons, rabbits, hares and pheasants. The geese, ducks and turkeys were confined to one row, along the side nearest the railroad and the end next the City Hall. The hens were arranged in coops containing two each, and were placed in three double rows, reaching almost the entire length of the building. In the end farthest from the City Hall were the fattening crates, rabbits, hares, and dressed poultry, while the pheasants, pigeons, and poultrymen's supplies were near the stairway. All the breeds were well represented and the competition was close. In dressed poultry the display was not large but it was of fine quality, and many of the exhibits were tastefully decorated. There were several fattening crates, the birds being fed by a cramming machine.