

of this society that a horticultural society should be a factor in the public improvement of its neighborhood has been followed closely again this season with good progress. I cannot too highly praise our officers in their zealous and unpaid efforts, and the courtesy of our official florist, L. H. Weaver, of Dunnville, and the energy of our secretary, F. G. Lishman.—(A. K. Goodman, Treas.

#### THE FOURTEENTH SHOW AT GALT.

The Galt society held its fourteenth annual exhibit on August 30 and 31. There was a good exhibit in all classes, the specimen ferns and coleuses being especially fine. The cut flowers were also of a high quality and comprehensive in character. The show was not patronized as well as it deserved to be. W. Hunt, of the O. A. C., Guelph, was the judge of pot plants, and A. H. Ewing, of Woodstock, awarded the prizes for cut flowers. H. S. Peart, of the O. A. C., judged the fruit and vegetables.

#### NEEDLEWORK AT PRESTON.

The Preston society held a successful show in the skating rink on September 6 and 7. The exhibits were of a high order and competition in many classes very close. An exhibit of ladies' needle and fancy work gave an added interest to the exhibit. The attendance was good. W. Hunt, of the O. A. C., Guelph, judged the plants and flowers, and E. Lane, of Galt, awarded the prizes for the fruit and vegetable display.

#### SCHOOL CHILDREN SHOW AT SIMCOE.

In the spring the Simcoe society distributed seeds among the children of the public schools, with the understanding that a big flower show would be held in the fall. The show was held in the drill shed September 7 and the success of the scheme can be judged from the fact that there was almost four times as many entries as in 1904. The display on the tables was grand, and the competition was so close that it is thought more than three prizes should have been awarded. Judge Robb and Mr. W. S. Tisdale awarded the prizes. Many vegetables were on exhibition. In the evening band music and appropriate recitations added to the enjoyment of the visitors.—(Henry Johnson.

#### EXCELLENT SHOW AT BRANTFORD.

The executive of the Brantford society were well pleased with the results of their distribution of about 6,000 packages of seeds to the school children. The exhibition of flowers held on September 15 was a huge success. The secretary recorded about 600 entries of asters, verbenas, phlox drummondii, scabiosa and salpiglossis, besides about 50 entries of baskets of cut flowers. In all about 130 prizes were awarded. The premiums given consisted of

fine specimen plants of palms, ferns, draenas, araucarias and bulbs. The evening meeting was presided over by Mr. Dempster, president of the society. In a very interesting address Mr. Wm. Hunt, of the O. A. C., Guelph, commended the action of the Brantford City Council in granting the society the sum of \$100 as being one of the best outlays the city had ever made. Those present heartily endorsed the outlay by loud applause. Directions for the care and culture of the plants awarded as premiums were given by the speaker in his address, as well as a practical demonstration on the potting of bulbs and their after culture and care.

#### ELMIRA'S SECOND ATTEMPT.

The directors of the Elmira society are to be congratulated on the success of their second flower show, which was held August 24. A large number of fine specimens of the floral kingdom were on exhibit. The children's exhibit of asters grown from seed given to them by the society was particularly fine. The admission receipts show that over 2,000 people, besides the children, visited the show.

#### KEEN COMPETITION AT BELLEVILLE.

Last spring the Belleville society distributed flower seeds among the children of the different classes in every school in the city. In September the scholars from the high, public and separate schools were in their glory displaying the flowers. The total number of entries was about 300. Each school had its display upon one of the large tables which are in the building, and it was rather difficult to tell which school had the best exhibit. In the afternoon the building was open to the public and many of the parents and others visited the show, all being apparently much pleased.

#### FEWER ENTRIES AT STRATFORD.

The City Hall was the centre of attraction for a large number of citizens on the evening of September 6 at the opening of the Stratford society's annual show. Flags and bunting along with the numerous tables of beautiful plants and flowers made the hall a pleasant place to spend the evening. There was a noticeable falling off in quantity but no deterioration in quality. The flower and plant department was very attractive. Among the flowers were some very fine sweet peas, single petunias and asters, while several superb specimens of the rubber plant and begonia were highly admired. The judging of flowers and plants was done by Mr. Wm. Gammage, of London. In pot plants Messrs. Wm. Sanderson and S. B. Webb carried off most of the prizes.

The vegetables were somewhat of a disappointment, the display being quite small. The fruit occupied one table. Apples were a fine sample, but inferior to last year's.

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