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Premiums Awarded.

Susq'a Co. Fair and Cattle Show.

The annual Fair and Cattle Show was held on Thursday Oct. 11th, and in the variety and extent of its display far exceeded any previously held by the Society. It is indeed a subject of congratulation with those who were the first to establish the Society that at no time has the exhibition of any year, fallen behind that of its predecessors. either in the interest manifested by the citizens of the county and their families, or in the display of farm products.

The Address was delivered by A. M. Spangler of Philadelphia, editor of the *Progressive Farmer*, and was an eminently practical and useful production—at the conclusion of which the following resolution was offered and adopted.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be presented to Mr. Spangler for his excellent Address and that a copy of it be solicited for publication and that he be elected an honorary member of this Society.

The No. of entries of cattle was——for which the different Committees recommended premiums as follows:

REPORT ON BULLS AND COWS.

The undersigned having discharged the duties assigned them report to the Agricultural Society of Susquehanna as follows:

For the best Durham Bull, S. W. Breed, $5
" 2nd " " " " 3
" the best Devon " Harris Smith, 5
" 2nd " " " Geo. W. Tyler, 3
" best Grade Bull, F. H. Hollister, 5
" 2nd best " Michael Kean, 3
" best cow as regards form and appearance, Harris Smith, 5
For 2nd best do. Thos. Sweeny, 3
" " lot of 5 cows, B. A. Butterfield, 5

Your Committee having received no representations as to the result of any cow make no award as to the best cow from results and they would call the attention of the Society to a Devon Bull exhibited by Mr. Geo. Atkinson of Wyoming county and recommend they award him a discretionary premium of $2. We were much pleased with a yearling bull owned by W. L. Post of Montrose and feel confident from the exhibition of Stock made to-day that the Society is doing a great deal for its improvement.

THOS. P. PHINNEY,
C. J. HOLLISTER,
DAVID WAKELEE.

The Committee appointed to examine Matched Steers and Fat Cattle make the following report:

They have examined all the stock presented for their inspection and were highly gratified to see such fine specimens of Susq'a Co. Stock. It is clearly manifest that there is a spirit of laudable ambition amongst our stock growers that will have a powerful and salutary influence upon the stock growing interest of our county. Instead of the lean and quite ordinary raised here a few years ago, you see those that would do honor to any county Fair and we trust that the spirit of worthy enterprise will increase with every year and that her stock will become as famous as her corn and Butter. They award premiums as follows:

For best matched 3 year olds, J. W. Merritt, $5
2nd " " " J. P. Smith, 3
3rd " " " A. Sweet, 2
" " " 2 year old, E. G. Babcock, 5
2nd " " " C. J. Hollister, 3
3rd " " " Edwin Hill, 2
For " Fat Cattle, John Harrington, 3

ARAD WAKELEE,
GARRY LAW,
C. J. CURTIS.

The Committee to judge on young stock do respectfully submit the following awards: For best 2 yrs. old heifer, D. E. Whitney, 5
For the 2nd best 2 year old Heifer, D. E. Whitney, $3.
For 3d " " Timothy Ross, 2
" best lot of 5 yearlings Harry Smith, $5
" 2d " " " Wm. Jessup, 3.
" 3d " " " C. B. Griffis, 2.
" best " " calves Harry Smith, 5.
" 2d " " " J. H. Hollister, 3
" 3d " " " Mich'l Kean, 2

RUFUS SMITH.
GEO. HARRISON.
STANLEY TURRELL

The Judges on the best 10 yoke of oxen report that they have made all examinations and in our opinion do award the first Premium to Brooklyn, and the 2d to Bridgewater.

Also on the Best working oxen they award the first premium to Robert Kent, $5.
" 2d " to Manning Perigo, 3.
" 3d " to Wm. Jessup, 2.

There were a number of very fine cattle but we could not give premiums to all, one pair of 4 year olds, belonging to Perrin Wells, that were large and nice, and many others that we think would do honor to any Farmer.

DILLIS JUSTIN.
F. H. HOLLISTER.
JAMES KASSON.

There were 25 sheep entered for premiums. The Committee recommend the following which were adopted.

For the Best Long wooled Buck, H. Drinker, $3
" 2d best " M. Oakley, 3.
" best " Ewes D. Stewart, $3.
" best South Down Buck, L. Summers, 3.
" 2d best, " M. Carrier, 2.
" 3d best, " Ewes, H. P. Robins, 3.
" 2d best, " " " " 2
" best Fine wooled Buck, E. Goodrich, 3.
" 2d best " " U. Burrowes, 2.
" best " Ewes, E. Roper, 3.
" 2d best " " E. Goodrich, 2.

Wm. C. MILES,
H. C. CONKLIN.
F. PECK.

There were entered for premiums on Swine 33, for which the Committee on Swine beg leave to Report that they award premiums as follows:

For the best Breeding Sow, Wm. Jessup, $3
" 2d best " " S. Meacham, 2.
The above are of the Chester Co. Breed.
For the best Boar, Wm. Jessup, $3.
The above is of white Suffolk Breed.
For 2d best Boar, John Harrington, $2.
" best lot of pigs, Win. Jessup, 3.
" 2d best lot, " S. Meacham, 2.

One of the Committee visited the State Fair at Elmira and is decidedly of opinion that no Boar was exhibited there equal to Judge Jessup's, and that the swine at this Fair are fully equal to those displayed at Elmira.

E. G. BABCOK.
T. GRIFFIN.

Of Horses there were entered for exhibition 31, on which the Committee made the following report:

For best Stallion, Daniel Stewart, $5.
" 2d best, D. F. Roe, 3
" best Mare and colt, Elijah Brown, 5.
" 2d best, Wm. H. Jones, 3.
" best matched Horses, J. W. Brackney, 5.
" 2d best, M. S. Catlin, 3.

As there was no premiums offered for mares without colts, on fillies or on unbroken horses, they have awarded none, but would say that the exhibition was good.

DANIEL SEARLE.
BENJAMIN AYRES.
DILLIS JUSTIN.

One of the Committee state that an error was made in copying this report and that they intended to award to R. B. Little, premium for best single horse, and to D. F. Roe, for 2d best single horse and that the premium for 2d best Stallion was intended to be awarded to Stephen Hoag instead of D. F. Roe. The subject will be brought before the next meeting of the Society.

The committee on Domestic Manufactures beg leave respectfully to report.

That they have examined the various articles submitted to their inspection with much pleasure and satisfaction, and have agreed on the following award:

Best Piece of Flannel of 25 yards, Mrs. Isaac Butts—1st premium.
Second best do. of 11 yds., Mrs. John Harrington—2d premium.
Third best do. of 20 yds. Mrs. Obediah Baily—3d premium.
Best piece of Yarn carpeting, 27 yds., Mrs A. L. Tiffany—1st premium.
Second Best do. 40 yds., Mrs. Susan H. Loomis—2d premium.
Third Best do. 21 yds., Mrs. Isaac Butts—3d premium.
Best piece of Rag Carpeting, 20 yds., Mrs. B. C. Sayer—1st premium.
Second Best do. 20 yds., Mrs. F. M. Babcock—2d premium.
Best half doz. Wool socks, Miss Esther Gardner—1st premium.
Second Best do., Mrs. Isaac Butts—2d premium.
Best red quilt Mrs. Benjaman Sayer—1st premium.
Second Best, do. Miss Helen Bullard—2d premium.

A large number of articles being exhibited your committee found not a little difficulty in some cases in drawing the line of superior merit. In making their award, therefore they wish to add as worthy of honorable mention some very nice Quilts exhibited by Miss Clara Bullard, Mrs. Aaron Taylor, Miss Lefiora Alley, Mrs. Sarah Morse, Mrs. L. W. Breed, Mrs. Reynolds, and especially one exhibited by Miss Emma Rose, a little Miss only four and a half years old. Also several fine pieces of carpeting exhibited by Miss Helen Bullard, and Mrs. Lucy Sherman.

O. G. HEMPSTEAD,
MRS. ABEL CASSEDY
MRS. JAMES KASSON

CABINET WARE.

Your committee regret that their was not a more full Exhibition of this useful and Beautiful ware, for a beautiful mahogany Secretary and Book case exhibited by Smith and Fordham they being the only exhibitors they would award to them the highest premium $3.00.

WM. H. BOYD,
LORENZO BEACH.

CIDER VINEGAR.

We the Judges appointed to examine the several articles namely, grain, and cider-vinegar, have examined the grain and do award the first premium to R. S. Birchard, $2.00
Second Best to N. P. Wheaton, $1.00

DANIEL MCCOLLUM,
RODNEY JEWETT,

Report of Committee on Fancy Needle Work and Flowers.

The committee on ornamental Needle Work and Flowers, report a full and overflowing exhibition in this department, and feel that the interest has greatly increased, and much has been done to render the Fair pleasing and attractive. The needle work, all exhibited good taste and industry.

The committee advise that a certificate of merit be awarded to Miss Mary McConnel for a fine specimen of thin muslin needle work.

Miss Dora Keeler is entitled to the first premium for elegant scotch work skirts,—a specimen of elaborate embroidery.

Elegant specimens were exhibited by Mrs. Chandler, Mrs. Thos. Lyons, and Miss Sophia Lyons, and undersleeves and other needle work by Miss Bessie Riley, which evince great skill and taste.

A collar of a rare pattern, by Miss Bischard, one by Miss Bullard and Elmira Fordham, of Scotch work, which attracted great attention and admiration.

A collar by Miss Dunmore and one by Mary D. Biddle. A pair of new style cloth and satin slippers, which showed skill and neatness in fastening, by Mrs. Chandler. To her and Mrs. Sayre the Committee return thanks for their full and creditable contributions to the Fair, evincing taste in design and skill in execution.

Mrs. Sayre's oval frames of leather work, and baskets of burr work, mats and cushions merit honorable mention from the Society.

To Mrs. Chandler, as usual, the Committee feel great indebtedness. Miss Southworth exhibited a leather casket box of very tasteful workmanship. Two Ottomans, by Miss S. Bolles, perfect specimens of their style. Another by Miss Wakely, a very successful young beginner. One by Miss Loomis, of elegant design, but deficient in rich colors.

Two paintings in Oil, from original designs by Miss Ann L. Fraser, who has done honor to the Society and the community by her success in this department which is so little cultivated in Northern Pennsylvania. The paintings deserve more than a certificate.

A chair of worsted work partly finished, by Mrs. L. F. Fitch, the cabinet work meritorious to Messrs. Smith & Fordham.

Miss M. Meylert exhibited a cushion, reticule, chair covers of worsted work, 4 pieces of shaded worsted work, and other specimens all adding variety to the display.

Miss Miles exhibited a paper flower basket of great neatness.

Prof. Willis B. Deans adds new lustre to his name already so eminent among us, by the display of beautiful Daguereotypes.

Miss Mary A. Hunting has earned a commendation of all lovers of the beautiful in art, by the exhibition of two exquisite baskets constructed of moss.

The display of flowers was better than ever before in the history of the Society. Our Fair occurs too late to display the glory of floral productions, and the late cold wet season has rendered the fact unusually inauspicious. It was accordingly a source of real satisfaction an enjoyment not only to your committee, but to all in attendance upon the Fair, to find an exhibaration at once so large and so beautiful.

You will readily conclude from the taste exhibited this year in this Department, that if a suitable building were erected for a floral Hall, where the ladies could safely bring and tastily arrange their hot house plants; Susquehanna county could vie with any other county in Northern Pennsylvania in flowers as she does now move in the more substantial but less beautiful products of the garden and the farm.

Mrs. B. C. Sayer exhibited four pyramids four vases and a well arranged collection of flowers including several fine Dahlias.

Mrs. Wm. Jessup, a tower, formed of evergreens, snow-berries, and ash-berries! beautifully interwoven and surmounted by a splendid specimen of——

Mrs. George Scranton, two shelves of flowers—a great variety.

Mrs. Henry Drinker, three shelves of flowers, including a fine assortment of verbenas, with hot house plants.

A magnificant specimen of Campanula, in full bloom, from Mrs. G. V. Bentley.

A specimen of giant Cactus brought by Mr. Jarard Warner, name of exhibitor not given.

Mrs. Wm. J. Mulford, a cornicopia formed of mosses, and pouring forth in great profusion a variety or flowers, creditable even to her excellent taste. She also exhibited several vases and boquets.

A beautiful wreath of Autumn leaves, tinted by Mr. Jack Frost, and plated by Miss Dora Keeler.

A vase of Autumn leaves colored by the same master artist and arranged by Miss Julia Riley.

The first Certificate for Flowers to, Mrs. B. Chayman Sayre.

First Certificate for Worsted Needle work, to Miss Maria Meylert.

MRS. WM. J. TURRELL,
MRS. WM. J. MULFORD, } COM.
MRS. WM. L. POST,

POULTRY.

The Committee on Poultry respectfully report, that they have examined the specimens presented for exhibition and award the premiums offered by the Society as follows:

First premium to Isaac L. Post, for best lot of Shanghai Chickens.....$3.

Master Post also exhibited fine specimens of Ducks, Turkeys, and two wild Geese, (captured by wounding and now quite tame) which were objects of attraction and admiration to many and added much to the interest of the Poultry department. None of these specimens were entitled to any premium under the printed list of the Society which requires not less than six in each lot offered.

Second premium to S. A. Newton, for six fine Imperial Cochen Chinas.....$2.

Third premium to Master H. C. Jessup for 6 Shanghai Chickens.....$1.

WM. M. POST,
N. C. WARNER.

The No. of lbs. of Butter and Cheese packages entered was——of the former and——of the latter. The display of Butter (which has now become the staple product of the county) was far superior to any heretofore made by the Society, both in quantity and quality, and also very much superior to the Exhibition made at the State Fair at Harrisburg. The Committee make the following report: The quantity and uniform good quality of Butter presented to them for inspection, gave evidence of decided improvement in the County, and your committee found much difficulty in selecting from the number of good specimens, the best. They award

The first premium to Mrs. Decker, $5
" Second " " Rob't Moore, 3
" Third " " Lucas Stagger, 2

They also recommend discretionary premiums to the following:

Mrs. D. Stewart, Mrs. H. C. Conklin, Mrs. H. Bodine, Mrs. Melhuish, Mrs. J. H. Dill, each, two dollars; Mrs. L. Meacham, O. C. Ely, Geo. Walker, L. Harding, Elwin Taylor, William Smith, E. R. Hawes, J. W. Curtis, each, one dollar.

Your Committee are pleased with a report as follows:

I. L. Post—Dear Sir: I would state (at your request) that from thirty cows we have made 49½ firkins of butter up to the present time; Oct. 11, made by Mrs. H. Bodine.

B. A. BUTTERFIELD.

They would recommend Butter makers to furnish reports of such character hereafter containing information of much importance.

Your Committee also award the first premium on Cheese to Elwin A. Bennett, and the second premium to C. J. Curtis, and would also notice the specimens of cheese in a Jar offered by M. L. Catlin, as something new and nice.

JOS. D. DRINKER,
S. W. BREED,
I. L. POST.

On motion of C. Carmalt a discretionary premium of five dollars was awarded to Mrs. Bodine for her extraordinary skill and success.

LEATHER & HARNESS.

The Committee appointed to examine and award premiums on Leather report that they have examined the same and award premiums as follows, viz:

For best lot of calf skin, Moss & Bro., $2
" " Harness Leather, " 2

Some calf skins were exhibited by A. P. Keeler which do great credit to the manufacturer and for which the committee recommend a special premium of one dollar.

There was also a lot of oak tanned and patent Leather exhibited by A. & E. Baldwin which does great credit to the manufacturers

We regret to state that no sole leather was offered.

JOHN YOUNG,
JOHN GILBERT,
S. H. SAYRE.

The Committee on Harness report that they award

For the best single Harness, C. C. Hollister, $2
One exhibited by A. & E. Baldwin was very good.
For the Best Double Carriage Harness, A. & E. Baldwin.....$2
For best team Harness,.....2

There was also a very good lot of double Harness exhibited by C. Weeks.

R. SEARLE,
S. BARD,
C. W. BARD.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

The Judges on agricultuarl implements Respectfully Report.—

That we have been exceedingly solicitous that Farmers may properly appreciate the importance of this part of our Exhibition, every improvement calculated to relieve the hands from drudgery and their minds from anxiety—and at the same time elevate the standard by which their repectability is measured in the community. The committee are deeply impressed with the conviction that next to a judicious and properly cultivated mind, the possession of well constructed and cheap labor saving machinery must and will constitute largely to furnish their Brother Farmers with a competence and their families with comfort. When ploughing and seeding reaping and mowing, fencing and draining are all done by machinery with greatly diminished labor and expense, with threshing and feeding stock and preparing the soil are done with machinery and horse power we may reasonably expect that hands worn callas by hardship, minds indurated by exposure and sensibilities blunted by unmitigated toil, will be comparatively few. Will not therefore with a single eye to the improvement of the mechanic arts, but to the multiplied benefits it confers upon the agricultural ists, as well upon mechanics and artisans, that your committee have performed the duties enjoined upon them. In all past time the life of a farmer has been a life of labor; for the unremitted expenditure of power and money, he has received but a limited recompense, and at the same time has been universally regarded, as the underling and the instrument, by which the professional, the mercantile, and manufacturing chaps should maintain their Academy. While therefore your committee do not believe that any improvement in mechanics will suspend the necessity of active untiring industry, and a vigilant superintendance, to take advantage of every change in our coquettish climate, they do indulge a hope that farmers shall not always be kept in a state of servitude, bending their body to toil, or lending their muscles and minds to pampered and superfluous breath. Why not allow suitable compensation to those whose attention has been judiciously directed to diminish the required amount of labor, they will soon give ample time to improve his mind, and thus divide the empire that educated men have hitherto held over the uninteellectual, moral, and political welfare of his country. Many who have never sympathised with his pursuits who only regard them as fit employment for ignorance, as to ignoble and inglorious for any but the stupid and uncultivated, will find themselves forced into a proper support for men who bear themselves with dignity, whom they feel have high aims and noble purposes, and who combine the sterner virtues with all the courtisies and amenities of life. It is a truth proven by a long and bitter experience in every climate and upon every soil, "that those who think will govern those who toil" under these views two of your committe as soon as their appointment was announced attended the State Fair at Harrisburg; where they had a favorable opportunity of examining mowing and reaping machines, Horse power, Grain mills Churns, Wind mills fanning mills, improved hay forks corn planters, corn shellers, horse rakes, plows and various other articles of farming apparatus, requiring only an exercise of the ordinary faculties of mind, and common intelligence, that every farmer possesses to bring into use. They regret to find (what however is common in all cases) a disposition on the part of machinists and manufactures to ask exhorbitant profits for machinery—for mowing and reaping machines that ought to be made for 60 or $70 they rate 100 or $150, threshing machines, Straw cutters and corn shellers are all unreasonably high but we think this an evil that will gradually correct itself—and your committee therefore earnestly recommend the adoption of the scriptural advice "to try all these things and, to hold fast to those which are good."

Your Committee have examined the various articles of machinery placed on the grounds for premiums, and have concluded to award the premium for the best plow to Paschall Morris & co., for their Prouty plow, No 5 1-2,—for the second Best to M. S. Catlin for an improvement in attaching a false land side, and strengthening the casting, and a diploma to S. H. & D. Sayre, for the very handsome display of plows exhibited by them, —Motts corn plow is also remarkable for its simplicity.

No Harrows were exhibited.

For the best corn stalk cutter to Paschall Morris & Co., being an improvement adapted to hand or Horse power, with a feeding apparatus by which the length of the fodder, or straw when cut is regulated. S. H. & D. Sayre have a very simple and cheap cutter adapted to hand cutting.

For the best Cultivator they award the premium to S. H. & D. Sayre for a great variety exhibited by them of different discriptions,—and they also recommend that a discretionary premium of $2, be awarded to Isaac L. Bunnell for one exhibited by him.

No Corn Sheller being offered the Judges propose that this premium be awarded to H. F. Newton for a lot of farming tools manufactured by him exhibiting much ingenuity.

For the best churn they award the premium to Bushnell. For another exhibited by E. Tewksbury, they recommend a diploma on churning having now become an important item in the labor of our population.

No Horse rake having been exhibited the Judges propose that this premium be awarded to E. T. Tiffany for a Thresher, Seperator Cutting box and Horse Power exhibited by him.

No Ox cart being exhibited, the Committee recommend that this premium be awarded to S. H. & D. Sayre for a remarkably good single horse power.

No hay rigging being exhibited the Committee also recommend that the premium offered for it be awarded to R. M. Wells for the fanning mills of Jas. Peters patent, manufactured at Athens in Bradford County.

For the best Cheese Press, they award the premium to O. F. Fargo no other being exhibited.

No farm wagon being shown, the Judges recommend that a diploma be awarded to J. C. Benson for a machine for manufacturing Staves, and that the premium for a farm wagon be awarded to S W. Breed for Ketchum's mowing machine.

For the Best lot of butter firkins and tubs to E. Tewksbury. For the Best portable Cider press to S. Bushnell for Hickoks patent.

The Committee believe that J. Ethridge and Isaac Osborn are entitled to a discretionary premium for articles not specified in the premium list, they having each offered a beehive for which a premium has been obtained.

CALEB CARMALT.
WM. JESSUP.
JOHN HARRINGTON.

Your Committee on fruit vegetables and honey would respectfully report:

Good fruit is held in high estimation by us all, and may justly be regarded as a luxury for culinary uses and the regalia of the social circle; nevertheless, its full value is not appreciated; if it were—if the zeal for propagating it were equal to the pleasure of enjoying it, our old and unsightly orchards would either be renovated by grafting or removed as an encumbrance, and new ones be planted in their stead.

The process of grafting among us, and the utility of good fruit, were not, twenty-five years ago, as well understood as they now are. Hence, if the pioneers of our county were culpably remiss in this particular, we have been and are still *much more so*. The choice specimens exhibited this day should excite us all to systematic fruit-growing.

The time was when apples were principally used for cider-making, and when every farmer would, if he could, fill his cellar with "hard cider;" and for that purpose any variety would do, as a far greater zest was evincive for the intoxicating juice than for the fruit. There need then be no wonder that taste for excellent fruit was generally depraved, and profitable cultivation restrained.—But these years are past:—may they never again return; and may no toper henceforth disturb the peace and disgrace our county.—There is no department of the farms that better pays for cultivation—not even as well—as a thrifty bearing orchard of well selected varieties. Fruit is too much refused for feeding, because, as some allege, it will not fatten swine. Very true; but it will give thrift before the time of fattening arrives, and is beneficial even then, mixed with other food—worth then more than it is for cider and toper making.—It is excellent for store swine during winter by giving thrift and saving grain. It is a great mistake, as experiment has proved, that the sour varieties have not equal nutriment with the sweet:—the only difference is the sweet do not affect the teeth as the sour do.

Your committee might, if they had time, say much on the utility of fruit raising and fruit feeding; hence we have only to recommend to our brother farmers the importance of systematic horticulture, than which no labor devoted better pays the husbandman.

This season is not one of abundant fruit; notwithstanding, the great variety exhibited, unequalled at any previous fair, admonishes us of our great neglect hitherto, and calls upon us all to go and do likewise.

The first premium of $2 we award to Mr. Abel Cassidy—the second of $1 to Mr. L. M. Turrell.

There were other specimens which deserve not only notice but commendation, especially one by Hon. Wm. Jessup—another by Urbane Burrows, Esq.

There were only two specimens of grapes offered; one by B. R. Lyon—premium $2—the other by J. Etheridge, premium $1.

Your Judges propose a discretionary premium to M. K. Tingley of $1 for the best lot of quinces; and to J. Tewksbury of $1 for best lot of pears.

The garden vegetables were a noble and rich display, and give great credit to the soil of our county, when properly tilled. So much and so great a variety has never hitherto, at our fairs, been exhibited.

The first premium of $2 is awarded to Hugh Mitchel, and the second of $1 to Edwin Baldwin.

Jeremiah Ethridge offered the only—a choice specimen of honey—premium $2.

The above is most respectfully submitted.

S. A. NEWTON,
D. TAYLOR,
H. P. ROBINS.

THE REPORT ON PLOWING.

The increasing interest manifested in this Branch of agriculture is very gratifying, and it is hoped will be continued. The day was fine—the swyrd to be broken stiff and the ground a heavy loam. In some parts stony, but affording a reasonable fair field for competition. At our first plowing match five years since, only three teams were entered. This year we had ten, and a most spirited match in which the work was creditable as well to the Plows, as to the teams, and Plow-men. Taken together it is believed the Plowing was much superior to any before performed in the county, and might well challenge competition with that, at any of the plowing matches in the country.

1st. A. G. Hollister of Dimock,—a pair of Brown Mares, and Iron wheel plow, manufactured by Messrs. Mott of Montrose. *Time* one hour and 26 minutes.

2d. Henry J. Kent, with a pair of fine Black Mares which took the first premium last year, and an Iron wheel plow also, of Motts manufacture. *Time*, one hour and 42 minutes.

3d. Martin S. Catlin of Bridgewater, a pair of Black Ponies, rather small, but fine and smart, a plow of his own invention and form, cast at the Foundry of Messrs. Sayers in Montrose. *Time*, one hour and 34½ minutes.

4th. H. H. Harrington of Bridgewater, a pair of elegant Brown Mares, also an Iron Plow, made by Messrs. Mott. *Time*, one hour and 21 minutes.

5th. Norman Austin of Bridgewater, a pair of dark Bay Mares, a Blatchley plow with fixed cutter. *Time*, one hour and 25 minutes.

9th. David Banker of Bridgewater, a pair of large and fast chesnut sorrel horses, and Blatchley plow. *Time*, one hour and 8 minutes.

7th. Isaac McKeeby of Bridgewater, a pair of Bay horses, Blatchley plow. *Time*, one hour and 7 minutes.

8th. Nelson Hawley of Bridgewater, a pair of Black Horses which have plowed at every plowing Match since the society established them, a self sharpening cutter draught plow, manufactured by Paschall Morris and Co., Phila'd.

This plow is the same in all respects as to form and size with the plow exhibited by Mr. Prouty at the worlds fair in London in 1851 and which took the first premium there. *Time* one hour and 38 minutes.

9th. Geo. Harvey a pair of farm horses not matched, an Iron plow of Motts manufacture, and a splendid plow-man. *Time*, one hour 50 minutes.

Wm. T. Austin, a cream and brown pair of horses, a Blatchley plow with wheel and Coulter. *Time*, one hour and 36 minutes.

The Committee had great difficulty in deciding among the best, where all is good and most of it very good, there will of course be a diversity of opinion as to which merits the first and which the second premium and the Committees have found the same difficulty. But as it is necessary to decide, the Committee without claiming any infallibility to the matter, award the premiums as follows:

The first premium to Nelson Hawley $3
Second Premium Martin S. Catlin 4
Third " H. H. Harrington, 3
Fourth, " Amos G. Hollister, 2
Fifth, " Geo. Harvey, 1

The Report of the different Committees were adopted by the Society, and the Premiums directed to be paid. Persons who have not received them, will obtain them from the Treasurer of the Society, Azor Lathrop at his store in Montrose.

There were a large number of articles exhibited which should have been more particularly mentioned by the Society, not having been reported upon by the Committees, it is impossible for the officers of the Society to allude to them in this Report their multifarious duties preventing a critical examination of any article exhibited. Among them however we would mention three very handsome yoke of Devon Steers exhibited by Mr Hollister of Dimock; a Durham Bull brought into the County this fall from the State Fair at Elmira, by S. W. Breed of Brooklyn, some fine samples of Grain by Timothy Griffin and others,—and four loaves of bread made by Miss Kate Searle, Miss Maria Meylert and Miss Dora Keeler.

SAM'L F. CARMALT Sec'y.

A Fact With A Moral.

A celebrated artist, in one of his rambles, met with the most beautiful child he had ever seen. "I will paint the portrait of this child,' he said, "and keep it for my own: for I may never look upon its like again." He painted it, and when trouble came, and evil passions moved his spirit to rebel, he gazed upon the likeness of the boy, and passion fled, and hosier thoughts entranced his soul. Years passed away, and at length within a prison's walls stretched upon the floor of stone, he sees a man, stained with blood, with glaring eyes and haggard face, and with demoniac rage cursing himself and his fellow beings, and blaspheming God, as he lay waiting for the hour of his execution. The artist transferred his likeness also to canvas, and placed it opposite to the child's. How striking, how complete the contrast! The angel boy—the fiendish man!

What must have been the feeling of the artist, when upon inquiry, he ascertained that both the portraits he had made were of the same individual! The beautiful, innocent child, had grown into the hideous, sinful man!

A Bit of Advice.

Have you enemies? Go straight on and don't mind them. If they get in your way walk round them regardless of their spite.—A man who has no enemies is seldom good for anything—he is made of that material which is so easily worked that every one has a hand in it. A sterling character—one who thinks for himself and speaks what he thinks, is always sure to have enemies. They are as necessary to him as fresh air: they keep him alive and active. A celebrated character used to remark: 'They are sparks which, if you do not blow will go out of themselves.—Let this be your feeling, while endeavouring to live down the scandal of those who are bitter against you. If you stop to dispute, you do but as they desire, and open the way for more abuse. Let the fellows talk—there will be the reaction, if you but perform your duty, and hundreds who are alienated from you, will flock to you and acknowledge their error.

☞ John M. Botts has found one good feature in the Maine Law. He says that in States where the law has been enacted, the character of the liquor has been decidedly improved.

A reverend gentlemen in New York a few Sabbaths since, seeing a poor woman tottering up one of the aisles of his church, waiting in vain for some of his congregation to offer her a seat, paused in his sermon, decended from the pulpit, showed her into his pew, and quietly returned to his desk again.

Two boxes containing $25,000 each in gold were sent from the U. States assistant treasury at Dubuque, Iowa, to the assistant treasurer in New York city, but when they arrived the boxes were found to be filled with rifle bullets. It is supposed the boxes were changed while on the way from the treasury to the railroad depot at Dubuque. Wells & Co., are the express agents who undertook to convey the money. It is a "splendid" robbery, by somebody.

A CERTAIN CURE FOR A RATTLE SNAKE BITE OR SPIDER STING.—Take the yelk of a good egg, put it in a tea-cup, and stir in as much salt as will make it thick enough not to run off, and spread a plaster and apply to the wound, and I would insure you for a sixpence. The subscriber has tried the above remedy in a number of cases, and never knew it to fail in one. P. Prettyman, M. D.—*Portland Oregon.*

☞ BORROWED thoughts, like borrowed money, only reveal the poverty that compelled the loan.

☞ A man that hordes riches and enjoys them not, is like an ass that carries gold and eats thistles.

☞ Elevated posts in governments are like steep rocks, only accessible to eagles and reptiles.

☞ The most corrective punishment is kindness.