LOCAL AFFAIRS.

WEDNESDAY MORNING:.....:OCTOBER 1.

SIXTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION
OF THE
Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society.

Yesterday was the first day of the Sixth Annual Exposition of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, and was confined to the reception of articles for exhibition. It opened unpropitiously, the rain pouring in torrents the greater part of the day, but there were nevertheless a large number of ehtries, and if we have even tolerable weather during the rest of the week it promises to be one of the most successful, both in the number of visiters in attendance, and in wares, &c., displayed, ever held in Pennsylvania. The arrivals of strangers yesterday was very large, and the principal hotels are already overflowing. One train from the East, which came in at 2 P. M., brought upwards of eleven hundred people.

The number of entries is already numerous beyond any fair ever held here, but in consequence of the rain, R. C. Walker, Esq., the Secretary, has announced the time as continued until Wednesday morning at 12 o'clock, when the books will be closed. The business office of the Society is at the grounds, where the Committee of Arrangement, with the Treasurer and Secretary, will be found.

Of animals, so numerous were the entries that, notwithstanding the preparation, more than fifty new stalls had to be erected yesterday. As the entries will not be completed before to-day, we can only give an imperfect list, remarking that the display of every thing promises to equal the expectations of the most sanguine.

One of our reporters was on the ground, and took full notes, from which we publish the following:

PAINE, BISSELL & CO

These gentlemen exhibit a Range of superior character, which has, we understand, been invented by the combined skill and ingenuity of the members of the firm, and combines in its construction cheapness, durability and simplicity; is easily understood and not likely to get out of order. It is applicable to either private families, hotels or steamboats. The proprietors also keep on hand a large variety of every description of castings, which combine many valuable improvements. Their establishment is on Liberty street.

TRUNKS.

SHORTEN & BRO., Wood street, this city, exhibit four trunks—two leather and two wooden frame. They are permanently constructed and neatly finished. The proprietors belong to this city, and are among our foremost mechanics.

CARRIAGES AND BUGGIES

BIGELOW & Co., Diamond alley, this city, who have always stood deservedly high as manufacturers of the different kinds of vehicles, exhibit several new varieties from their manufactory. To any one who has examined their stock and is acquainted with the proprietors, any thing commendatory is unnecessary. They use good material and employ experienced mechanics.

Among the most useful articles on exhibition is LANGSTROTH'S patent Bee Hive, which is certainly the most useful and best adapted for the purposes intended that we have ever seen. The patentee informs us that he spent *seventeen years* experimenting before the discovery of his patent, a great superiority to all other hives is one consists in the Apiarian having the entire control over all the combs—any or all of the combs can be taken out at pleasure, without injury to the combs or enraging the bees in the least. It is adapted to swarms of all sizes, being made large or smaller, at pleasure, in a moment. It furnishes the greatest possible security against the ravages of the bee moth. But to enumerate farther would be useless, as its great superiority to all other hives now in use has been clearly proven by the testimony of some of the principal bee keepers in the country. Visitors should by all means examine this invention.

L. O. CAMERON.—This gentleman exhibits three patent galvanized Ovens, which attract considerable attention. Mr. Cameron is largely engaged in the manufacture of different varieties of stoves and tin ware, and has the exclusive right for the sale of a number of improvements, none of which are better deserving of attention than the articles on exhibition.

Among the many objects of interest on exhibition that have attracted the most attention is WIGHTMAN'S patent portable Steam Engine, patented January 15, 1856. Mr. Wightman is already known abroad as one of our principal manufacturers, and his portable Steam Engine will add considerable to his fame as a practical mechanic. The engines are manufactured at the Pena Machine Works, Allegheny City, and orders have already been received for it from nearly all parts of the country. Mr. Wightman will undoubtedly realize a fortune from his admirable and useful invention.

STOVES AND RANGES.

MITCHELL, HUNTER & Co., one of the oldest manufacturing houses in the city, exhibit some valuable improvements in the above. The gentlemen in question are noted for their excellent workmanship and the satisfaction they give customers, both in the quality, variety, and extent of that stock.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL IN GLASS.

Among the many objects which attract the most attention at the Fair is the design of St. Paul's Cathedral in glass, executed by Mr. REDMAN. So perfect is this design that even the architect of the Cathedral can find nothing it that will not correspond with the original. Mr. Redman has also on exhibition a design in glass of the private residence of Mrs. Mulvany, of Birmingham, which has attracted much attention. Mr. Redman spent two years in completing his designs, and they are among the finest works of art on exhibition.

Mr. MUNROE of Allegheny city, has on exhibition two large frames filled with specimens of Ambrotyping, which will, perhaps, take a premium, for they have already been pronounced by good judges as complete specimens of the art. Mr. Munroe was one of the first to introduce this branch of the business in this part of the country, and deserves great praise for contributing so largely in bringing Ambrotyping to its present perfection. His artistic skill in all branches of the business will certainly place him at the head of his profession.

JOHN SOUTH, of Allegheny city, also exhibits seven varieties of vehicles from his manufactory, which combine some valuable improvements, and are neatly and tastefully finished. His stock attracted considerable attention, as the character of his work has given himself and business considerable notoriety.

SADDLERY AND HARNESS.

WM. BLAIR, of Washington, Pa., a gentleman of experience in this branch of manufactures, exhibits a set of harness, which, for neatness of design and mechanical execution, are creditable alike to the exhibitor and the county from which he hails.

LIVINGSTON, COPELAND & CO.—This firm is better known as the "Novelty Works," and have contributed more, perhaps, than any in the city to the many mechanical improvements for which Pittsburgh is widely noted; they exhibit a number of articles from their manufactory, among which are specimens of both platform and hay scales. The manufacture of the latter alone is sufficient to give the establishment notoriety, as they are largely in use in both this and other States, and are taken as acknowledged authority. The proprietors are gentlemen worthy of patronage, and their immense manufactory in this city is well worthy of an examination by all visitors to the fair.

CRIDGE & WADSWORTH.

Improvements in Oscillating Engines.—The gentlemen whose names head this notice exhibit two of their engines, for which they have lately received a patent. Their machines combine some valuable improvements, which have rendered them popular with our manufacturers. We regret not having room to notice them at length, but will simply name one feature in its construction which is calculated to give it superiority. In the Oscillating Engines heretofore in use the objection has been the great waste of steam used, to the cylinder in or about the trunyan. As applied to these exhibited by the gentlemen named in the machines the steam is applied to each end of the cylinder, thereby saving a portion of steam each revolutica.

The engine is portable, and combines all the advantages of others, such as cut-offs, and reversing motions. They are manufactured in Allegheny City by the proprietors, to whom all orders should be addressed, and will receive prompt attention.

AGRICULTURAL PUNGH AND SCRAPER

This invention, exhibited by Messrs. SCOTT & HEDGES, will, no doubt, attract a great deal of attention, from the fact that it is entirely new in this section of the country. The inventors claim that the invention will, in course of time, become indispensible to the farmer. It is a steam-boiler, having pipes, safety and stop cock, and can be used with the greatest convenience and economy for cooking by steam, any kind of food for stock, heating water in any quantity, and warming buildings at a small cost. In fact, the uses this invention can be applied to should make it valuable indeed.

GOULD'S METALLIC HUSKING THIMBLES

Form quite a feature in the exhibition, and will attract much attention. The invention combines comfort, speed and abridgment of labor: and are certainly a great improvement on the old method. They are worn on the longest fingers of the right hand, with the artificial nails directly over the natural nails, and so adjusted as to press gently against the ends of the fingers, while the artificial or metallic nails are easily and rapidly used to open the husks, catching incautiously the ear at any place and holding it in any position, instead of the painful, cautious and slower employment of the natural nails or a husking peg. By this arrangement it is obvious to all that the fingers, however tender, are completely *protected* from excoriation and the wear and tear, caused by the corn and rough husks, to which our fingers are otherwise liable. These thimbles have been thoroughly tested and found to be all that they are represented. Mr. Gould, the gentlemanly agent, can be addressed at Alliance, Ohio.

W. W. WALLACE.—This gentleman, who is widely known as one of the largest manufacturers of Marble Mill Gearing, &c., exhibits several specimens of Marble Fronts and Mantles which display taste, both in style and workmanship. He also has on exhibition a valuable portable Mill for grinding and chopping, planned by Mr. Alexander Wallace, a brother of the exhibitor. It is a useful invention, and well worthy the attention of stock feeders and farmers.

JAMES TORRENCE.—This gentleman, who has added largely to the interest of different Fairs held in this vicinity, exhibits his celebrated horse "Vermont Boy," the same that took the premium at the great horse exhibition last year in Ohio. As we have before alluded to the "Vermont Boy," we will simply add he is all he is represented, and is worthy of examination. Mr. T. also has a number of animals on exhibition in a canvas near the entrance to the Fair ground, among which are elks trained to work, deer, swans, a pet wolf, &c., all of which are really worth the price of admittance.

MESSRS. R. M. & D. DAVIS, patentees of the adjustable and self-acting parallel Vice, have their invention on exhibition. It will undoubtedly commend itself to every person interested in the sale or use of Vices of any kind, for the many improvements on the old Vice. We have not space to explain the chief features of improvement; suffice it to say that the invention has been pronounced by good judges to be an admirable one. We heard several of our leading mechanics speak in the highest terms of it.

SWINE.—Our esteemed friend Capt. HAMILTON, of Pittsburgh, exhibits a fine imported sow and pig, six months old, which weighs over 200 pounds, and is, we believe, the finest animal on the ground, and is most certainly worthy of a premium. Capt. Hamilton has several fine shoats of a year old in the herd; also a fine three year old filley, entered for all purposes. Altogether the Captain adds largely to the interest of the exhibition.

ROBERT WOODS, Esq.—This gentleman, who is also his public spirit in the introduction of such valuable improvements in agricultural implements, exhibits a fine Devon bull, which has already taken several premiums in this and other States.

Mr. Woods also exhibits a yearling Ayrshire bull, bred from the celebrated stock imported by the Hon. Iohman of Muscal to Martin Van Buren, late President, and lately owned by Lieut. HAMILTON of the Army.

CARPETS.

W. W. & H. MCALEER.—These gentlemen exhibit a large assortment of Turkish, Super Ingrain, and Domestic Carpets. We have seldom seen such choice styles and have never seen more taste exhibited in the manner of display.

HOLMES & CUTHBERT.—These gentlemen, our near door neighbors, exhibit a number of articles of interest in agricultural implements, such as seed-sowers, corn-sheller, churns, &c. The gentlemen have always been an extensive manufacturers of the above articles at their warehouse, corner of Wood and Fourth streets, and invite friends for an examination of their stock. We have more to say of them again.

PATENT SCOOP.

M. & H. Parrach, of Beaver, Pa., have secured, on the 30th ult., Patent No. 15 of their patent stoves. This consists in two improvements on the old one. First, in the placement of air passing between the inner and outer shell, by which equalizes the heat, causing it to radiate more evenly. The other improvement consists in a new style of dampers. It is adapted as well for wood as for coal, and in fact is a decided improvement.

The Messrs. EVERY BROTHERS, of Albany N.Y., have on exhibition their valuable invention in Every's Patent Horse Power Threshing Machine and Separator," which has just taken the premium at the Ohio State Fair, and well merit previous success. To this it would be useless to explain the numerous advantages this invention has over all others. They have been selling in use, and are so generally known as to be all they are represented, thus it would be superfluous to enumerate the improvements. They are formerly in use. They can be seen at any time their work on the Fair ground. The manufacturers have orders from all parts of the country, which is proof incontestible that they are "just the thing."

SHINGLE MACHINE

King's Patent Jointing, Shave and Shingle Shaving Machine, about which we have here, "more anon," is on exhibition. We believe it is the best machine we have seen it in use to be a saving and valuable improvement. It is simple in construction, easily understood, and less likely to get out of order than any in use. We understand there are a few more county and State rights for sale. The machine is a valuable one, and all who have purchased rights have realized handsomely

GREGG'S PATENT BRICK MACHINE.

This invention, which is the result of the mechanical skill and ingenuity of the gentleman in question, who is a citizen of our county, is on exhibition, and attracts great attention. Mr. Gregg has lately returned from Europe, whether he has been procuring a sale of territory for a part of Europe. The advantages of this machine are, its obviousness to any one of its operations, as it passes, and part of the work. It makes brick from the clay, in a much shorter time than them more uniform and compact. Fifty thousand can be done by hand, and is capable of making, when in full operation, 20,000 in 12 hours per day. The machines are patented, and secured to order by Mr. Gregg, to whom all orders should be addressed.

MOSES T. EATON.

This gentleman, who deals exclusively in novelties, is on the ground with some useful inventions in mechanism and machinery. A list of a portion of which will be found by reference to his advertisement in another part of the paper.

JOSHUA WRIGHT

Of Washington county, an extensive farmer and a stock breeder of some distinction, exhibits a fine lot of Saxony and Merino Sheep. They are, to appearance, of good constitution, and the staple of the wool of the finest fibre, and is of the same stock which took the premium at the great World's Fair in London. Mr. W. also exhibits a number of horses for different purposes.

HALL & SPEER.—These gentlemen, who have been the first to successfully establish the manufacture of plows in this city, and who have added more to the manufacturing reputation of the city than any other establishment, exhibit some seventy varieties of plows, cultivators, &c., adapted to all kinds of uses. They have obtained a number of patents for different kinds of plows, among which is the celebrated "Iron Center-Draught," the sale of which extends the limits of the Union. Their offerings on the present occasion are creditable to their well-established reputation, and is particularly worthy of an examination.

DANFORD'S REAPER.

This machine is on exhibition, and attracts considerable attention. It is on the "clipping" principle, and, as will be better understood, has two sickles working in opposite directions. It cuts very smoothly, and is less liable to choke or clog than any other in use. We shall have more to say of this Reaper to-morrow.

MANNY'S COMBINED REAPER.

This machine, of which a larger number have been sold the past year than any other patent, is on exhibition, from the manufacturers, at Chautauque, N. Y., who own the right to manufacture in the western part of this State. Having had some experience in the use of these machines, both is this State and in Illinois, and used them in all kinds of grain and grass, on both rough and smooth ground, we can speak understandingly of their real utility. In mechanism, as in any thing else, the best test of a theory is its practical results. Judging from this rule, no further notice is needed, as there have been several thousands sold in the past year, and we have yet the first instance to note of one being returned.

ARTHUR'S SELF BAKER.

This improvement for cutting grain, which took the premium at the reaping trial in this county the past year, is on exhibition. It is from the manufactory at Harrisburg, and is exhibited by JAMES PATTON, Esq., a gentleman of enlarged experience and great energy, and to whose ability alone the great success in the introduction of the machine in question is mainly attributable. The machine, of which we write, is adapted for both mowing and reaping,—and, as its name indicates, is a self raker, thereby dispensing of the services of a man for that purpose, which is a saving, particularly in the West.

We are compelled to lay over until to-morrow notices of a number of articles on exhibition at the fair, designed for to-day's paper, in consequence of the indisposition and exhaustion of our reporter, who has been up for the past four nights.

Visitors to the fair and others would do well to look into the wholesale drug establishment of our friend Dr. Keyser, at the Golden Mortar, 140 Wood street. The Doctor deals in all sorts of medicines and perfumery from which wholesale merchants and others can select a suitable stock. His store is quite a "curiosity shop," well worth a visit to any one. A most important branch of his business is the Truss and Shoulder Brace department, which has been brought to a high degree of perfection by the Doctor's skill and knowledge of mechanical medicine and surgery. His advantage in this line is, no doubt, owing to a knowledge of medicine, to which has been added some eight years of practical experience in the adaptation of these instruments.

Beautiful Furniture.—We direct the attention of our readers to the large and elegant assortment of cabinet furniture, at the ware-rooms of Mr. Woodwell, Third street, embracing some of the most beautiful setts suitable for parlors and chambers. Strangers visiting the city would do well to call and examine the numerous pieces of parlor and drawing room furniture, which for elegance of styles and finish cannot be surpassed by any establishment in the United States.

Not as bad as Reported.—We stated some days since, on the authority of the Westmoreland papers, that a young man in Mt. Pleasant township of that county, named Gregg, the son of a widow lady, had committed suicide by hanging. It turns out, fortunately for the young man, that he only attempted to "kick the bucket," and was cut down before he had succeeded in his object.

Campbell & Pollock are in receipt of a large and well assorted stock of notions and variety goods. Mr. Campbell has just returned from the east, where he has been for some weeks purchasing goods, with his accustomed ability. Dealers should give them a call, which if they do they are sure to be suited.

We take pleasure in referring to the splendid stock of Teas, just received by Jaynes, on Fifth street. Dealers and consumers generally should pay attention to their interests, and buy at this long established and most favorably known house.

Pittsburgh Water Cure.—We call attention to the advertisement of the Pittsburgh Water Cure in another column. It is beautifully situated ten miles west of the city, at the Hayesville Station of the Ft. W. & C. R. R.

We call attention to the advertisement of Messrs. Haworth, Bro. & Brownlee. This firm has always maintained a high character, and may be relied upon in every article sold by them.

How can you be Healed without a Physician?—The Pennsylvania Railroad will run a train from the canal bridge to the Fair ground to every fifteen minutes on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Remember our friends and the public to visit Wallace's to-night at Franklin Hall. If you want fun and laughter go and hear him.

Advertisement

Fall Trade.—The principal of this long established institution is one of the most widely known and popular teachers of commercial science in the country, and the students of his institution are equally as accommodating and business like. We have been shown letters ordering books and specimens of his establishment from Tennessee, Illinois and Wisconsin. These circumstances show the estimation in which he is held, and the high commendation he has received from those who have attended his institution. Students can enter at any time.

Sporting Matters.—There will be a meeting of the Allegheny Club on this Wednesday evening, at 7½ o'clock, at the Neptune House, when and where the general state of the Club will be discussed, and the programme for the Fall Meeting arranged. All members are requested to be present, as matters of importance will be brought before the meeting.

W. A. WALL, Pres. pro tem.

Cincinnati, State of Ohio, Hamilton county, ss.—Before me, a notary public in and for the county and State aforesaid, personally appeared the above named Wm. A. Wall, President pro tem of the Allegheny Club, and made oath that the statements contained in the above notice are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of September, A. D. 1856. [SEAL.] JOHN D. HARPER, Notary Public.

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