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Through Maine Spectacles.

Dr. Twitchell in His Paper The Maine Farmer

Writes Entertainingly of the Fredericton Exhibition.

The following is from the pen of Dr. Twitchell, editor of the Maine Farmer, who attended the Fredericton Exhibition:

"It does one good to break out of the rate of daily routine and mingle with other forces working in similar lines, and it was a pleasure to again meet the enthusiastic workers of the Province of New Brunswick and with them inspect the exhibits gathered at Fredericton. Notable changes have taken place during the past ten years in the agriculture of the Province and the officers of the government must have felt just pride as they surveyed this exhibition and realized to what a degree the well-directed government aid had stimulated breeding, feeding and growing of all stock, crops and products in accord with the demands of the present. To us the best feature of the exhibition was the uniform grade of the exhibits. It was high for the simple reason that they were all good. Such an exhibition is an object lesson of great financial benefit to any section of country. Volume of exhibits must always rate second to quality and when this is uniformly high the lesson is obvious.

Another fact not to be omitted was the strict impartiality and exactness with which the officers attended to their duties, being at their posts early and late to render service to the exhibitors and visitors. The impression one receives from such an exhibition are lasting and extremely favorable. It was also a source of satisfaction to find an exhibition of such dimensions, receiving a daily attendance of 5,000 or 7,000 people at the turnstiles, and all going away satisfied, while the grounds cover only about six acres, thus affording no chance for races, and the fakirs and liquor sellers were rigidly excluded. Here again it was demonstrated that an exhibition of good stock and products will attract and satisfy better than a great surfeit of vaudeville, fakir, midway and sensation.

Not for ten years at any exhibition in the States or Provinces have we seen so choice a lot of horses as here. From the standard trotting bred to the harness classes the average was high and many of the specimens exceptionally fine. Judge Wilkes by Bourbon Wilkes, owned by John McCoy, Fredericton, is a grand animal and a great stock horse, his many colts being large, well-formed and good-gaited.

A pair owned by Mr. John Kilburn, the lumberman, were good enough for any carriage, sired by Edgardo and Elation, the Edgardo colt being a typical high class carriage horse of great style and carriage, as well as good, round, pleasing action.

The cream of the driving classes was a speedy bay owned by Mr. Harley of Fredericton, a noble-looking animal and a good roadster. Most skilfully was she shown by one of the best drivers to be met, a young lady who loves a good horse, Miss Hilyard, daughter of the popular postmaster of the city. Her handling of the ribbons called a crowd about the show ring whenever the horse appeared.

In the brood mare class a grand lot was shown, giving unmistakable evidence of what is sure to come in the future if the owners and breeders will but heed the lesson and secure road horse stallions for service. The field is narrowing and the only door open to the average farmer is to breed either the all-round, good-sized, fast-walking, easy-driving, smooth-going, intelligent, courageous roadster or draft horse, and here neither the demand nor the price are to be considered for a moment alongside the driving class. The growing of speed as a sole factor is not to be taken into account for a moment. Such mares as were shown here should be bred yearly to the best road horse stallions to be procured, never to one that is inferior in the essentials named, and the government may well withhold its aid if premiums are offered on grade males.

In the draft classes from a grand pair of bays weighing 3,400 to the beautiful 2-year-old-black Percheron stallion own-

ed by Thomas Fowler, Burr's Corner, one of the choicest animals seen for years, the grade was equally high. The draft classes outnumbered the driving and evidenced as good care and attention.

Out in the cattle sheds were some choice specimens especially among the Shorthorns and Ayrshires. Mr. Geo. A. Fawcett, Sackville, has for many years been a careful breeder of Shorthorns and his stock attested his skill. His 2-year-old bull weighing 1,685 was a fine one and an offer of \$300 from Hopkins Bros., Fort Fairfield, was refused by his owner, who sold a bull calf and two heifers two years old to Messrs Hopkins for \$580, prices which indicate merit, and we can commend the selection made. Such stock will be of great benefit to Arrostook county and the state of Maine.

Another life long breeder of Ayrshires was Walter McMonagle, of Sussex, and the quality of his young stock was so high as to call for special mention. With these Mr. McMonagle showed a grand Guernsey bull 3 years old. A fine herd of Red Polled cattle was exhibited by Geo A. Perley, Mangerville. The Jersey class carried some good cows and with these a large number of single exhibitors were seen.

In the poultry building were some of the best B. P. Rocks exhibited this year at any show, the prize going to E. H. Barter, St. Stephen, on a grand trio of chicks.

A new exhibition building graces the grounds and it was filled with a most excellent and attractive exhibit, the superior excellence of the ladies' handiwork and the vegetable and fruit department being noticeable. The show of fruit was fully up to our state fairs this year in number of plates if not variety, while the vegetables were superior. The thrifty housewives passed by the dainties on the lace tables to examine with critical eye the magnificent beets, turnips, potatoes, celery, squashes, etc.

The dairy exhibit was good and some of the samples superior. Here they pack largely in 50-pound square boxes for export. The cheese exhibit was also good and the test proved its high worth. One sees here the direct influence of the government through the agricultural department, and the personal supervision of young men specially trained for the work is being felt and the grade of the dairy products steadily improved. New Brunswick occupies an enviable position in the dairy markets of the Old World. Messrs Harvey Mitchell of Sussex; J. F. Tilley, Woodstock, and L. C. Daigle, St. Louis, all graduates at Guelph, are just the men to enthuse the farmers, increase the product, and improve the quality.

The building is admirably arranged, with a broad gallery with booths for exhibits, the whole being well lighted, and the effect upon the visitor not only pleasing but impressive.

The special attractions consisted of troupes of performing dogs and ponies and the hall where these entertainments were given was crowded day and evening.

The credit for the success of the exhibition, the good order and absence of any signs of liquor selling, must be given the efficient officers who were constantly on the alert. President Campbell, Sec. Murray, Supt. of Grounds Hilyard, and Messrs. Dibblee, Edgcombe, Tennant and Chestnut, with other members of the official board and committees were looking sharply after their duties and kept the programme moving at a lively clip. With such methods success was certain and the Fredericton exhibition, we fancy will become a permanent feature for the good of the entire province. On another park under entirely different management some good races were held on two days and fairly well patronized, but the exhibition claimed the attention of the public.

Among the prominent officials in daily attendance, interested spectators in all that pertains to the growth of their home

industries were Lieut. Gov. McClellan, Premier Tweedie, Attorney General Pugsley, Hon. A. T. Dunn, Commissioner of Agriculture L. P. Ferris, Hon. G. F. Hill, St. Stephen, and Deputy Sec. of Agriculture Peters. In hearty sympathy and lending all the assistance possible one readily understands how the thoroughly organized agricultural department has been able to so radically turn the current of public thought and change the methods of farm operations until today New Brunswick agriculture ranks with the best on the continent. A few years ago the government brought in a lot of selected wheat which was sold to the farmers at a nominal price, the result being that this year the wheat fields are to be seen all over the province and the long rows of bags of choice grain lined the tables and attested the wisdom of the step by the government. Another feature of the exhibition which claimed our attention was the per cent of young people in attendance and the interest they manifested and questions they asked regarding stock breeding and crop productions. This is a straw which promises much for the future of the staple industries of all this section of country.

A daily drill including physical exercise by a squad of regulars from the government barracks proved a most attractive feature and evidenced thorough training at headquarters. The institute work of the winter fully organized and equipped will open at the close of the fair season and addresses in French and English be given by trained speakers of experience. With a better conception of what New Brunswick is doing for its great foundation industry and increased interest in watching the rapid advance being made through the well directed efforts of able government officials, we cross the little river and come back to our desk with a deeper conviction that there are still greater opportunities, and that the spirit of enthusiasm has spread far and wide and the agricultural resources of the entire continent are to receive a great uplift in the immediate future. The unmistakable evidences of heartfelt sympathy with us as a people over the loss of our beloved President, the flags at half mast the pictures in the windows and the oft-repeated word of regret and sorrow told of that close kinship into which the great English speaking nations have been growing and that bend of friendship which is to still further unite in the solution of the vexed social problems of the future.

LAXA-LIVER PILLS regulate the bowels, cure constipation, dyspepsia, biliousness, sick headache and all affections of the organs of digestion.

Lady Minto lost an \$800 bracelet en route to the parliament buildings Ottawa, Monday night.

To Break Up a Cold. all you require is a glass of hot water, a little sugar, and thirty drops of Polson's Nerviline. Take it real hot and in the morning you will wake up without a cold. When depressed or tired try Nerviline; it will tone you up better than stimulants. Nerviline wards off all sickness and keeps people well. Large bottles 25c.

During the national military manoeuvres at Lindburg a motor car, containing Capt. Ziegler, the German military attache, and the Belgian military attache was overturned, and both were severely, and it is feared, mortally injured. The Russian and Norwegian military attaches and a Dutch staff-captain were also injured. No details of the accident have been made public.

To Cure a Corn in Twenty-Four Hours.

There is no lack of so-called cures for corns. The vegetable, animal and mineral kingdoms have been ransacked for cures. It is a simple matter to remove corns without pain, for if you will go to any druggist or medicine dealer and buy a bottle of Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor and apply it as directed the thing is done. Get "Putnam's" and no other.

The women of Toronto have decided to give the Duchess of Cornwall a \$1,350 writing desk, of Canadian materials. The desk will be beautifully inlaid and ornamented with Canadian precious stones, amethysts, pearls, garnets, etc.

Anyone troubled with boils, pimples, rashes, festering sores, or any chronic or malignant skin disease, should use Burdock Blood Bitters externally and take internally. It will cure where others fail.

THE DUCHESS' WARDROBE.

Some Pretty Creations of the Dressmaker's Art.

WHICH HER ROYAL HIGHNESS BROUGHT ON HER TRIP.

London, Times: Nearly eight years ago, when the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York's engagement was announced, both the bride and her mother resolved that the trousseau should be entirely of home manufacture and of British or Irish materials. "I am determined," said the late Duchess of Teck, "that all the silk shall come from England, all the flannel from Wales, all the tweeds from Scotland and every yard of lace and poplin from Ireland." It is a significant fact that the Duchesses of Cornwall and York adopted the same resolution in regard to the large number of dresses required by her Royal Highness for a tour comprising visits, some of long duration, to the most varied extremes of climate. To Mr. Albert Phillips, of 185 and 186 Sloane street, was confided the whole responsibility for her Royal Highness's tailor-made costumes, while to Miss Minnie Phillips (Mirette et Cie., of 11 Sloane street) were entrusted the designing and making of the blouses and fronts to be worn with each skirt. No one who has made a study of dress can examine these costumes, which reflect so much credit on British taste in design and thoroughness of workmanship, without being struck by two main characteristics—their simplicity and their obviously practical utility. To give an instance of this attention to the practical necessities of the tour, it may be mentioned that many of the costumes have a bolero of a more or less ornate character as well as a plainer jacket.

Among the more notable dresses of tailor-made, what may be called the "going-away" gown is naturally the most interesting to us at home, as it is perhaps the only one to be seen worn in the mother-country. This coat and skirt traveling dress is of black hopsack, the skirt being tucked from the waist to within six inches of the hem. The rounded bolero fits over a black silk waistcoat fastened with jet buttons. With the same skirt can be worn a plainer black jacket with alternating collars of silk and velvet, while the blouse belonging to the same costume consists of closely-tucked black silk, almost producing the effect of crape. Another, and perhaps more elaborate costume, is of the finest black-faced cloth. The skirt of this dress exhibits a novel feature—namely, a crossway frill let in at the sides only, in a new shape designed by Mr. Phillips.

The open-fronted bolero, or Eton coat, is trimmed in a fashion which carries out the same design, the collars and reverses being covered with black Tuscan embroidery. The coat to be worn with the same skirt is of plain faced cloth, three separate collars, the one of cloth, the other of panne, and the third of stitched silk. Jet buttons form the only ornament to this coat; the front accompanying the costume being of fine black Chantilly lace. Yet another black cloth costume has the skirt covered with long lines of stitchery, terminating below the waist with bands of velvet strapped with cloth. The elaborate open-fronted bolero forms a zone, bordered with panne strapped with cloth, and it will be worn over a tight-fitting satin waistcoat.

With a view to tropical weather several lighter costumes have been designed; of these two may be specially mentioned—a grey cashmere coat and skirt, the latter unlined, is untrimmed save for some grey silk stitchery and grey silk strapping with which the bolero is also ornamented, the latter being so cut as to show rather more than is the case in what may be called cold weather costumes. The blouse worn with it is of grey lace silk embroidered with white spots, the transparent collar being of white Gulpure, and the box pleats which form the bodice being gathered into a grey silk Swiss belt embroidered with white spots. A more elaborate costume will doubtless be worn on more than one ceremonial occasion. This white Campbell coating gown has the long skirt partly covered with very fine white silk fishtail strappings, outlined with with tubular braid. The bolero has neither collar nor reverses, being plainly strapped all round the edge with white silk bound with tubular braid, an alternate single

breasted coat to be worn with the same skirt being also richly ornamented with fishtail strappings, and so cut that it can be worn either open or buttoned across. The blouse to be worn with this coat or skirt is of white lace silk embroidered with black velvet, the transparent collar being of real lace, and the belt shaped to the figure.

Whisky Medicines.

The temperance press is emphasizing the danger to the home in the use of "medicines" which are loaded with whisky or alcohol. In this respect, as well as in the remarkable character of their cures, Dr. Pierce's medicines differ from other preparations. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and "Favorite Prescription" contain no alcohol, whisky or other intoxicant, and are equally free from opium, cocaine and other narcotics. Every family should have a copy of the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, sent absolutely free, on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing and customs. Send 31 one-cent stamps for the book in paper covers, or 50 stamps for cloth binding. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. Cameron Stanton has been appointed chief clerk of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, to succeed the late John Hardie. W. C. Gordon, private secretary to Sir Louis Davies for the past three years, has been promoted to a first-class clerkship.

Nervous Dyspepsia

How it shakes one up, invades sleep destroys strength, adds a real misery to life. Not the stomach but the nerves are affected. Starved nerves make the whole trouble. You need Ferrozone because its a nerve food. It supplies the elements that are needed to make rich, red blood. This is the savings bank of health. The richer the blood in red cells, the richer you're sure to be in health. Ferrozone quickly makes blood, strengthens the nervous system, strengthens the digestive organs and, presto! the nervous disturbance disappears. Sold by Chas. A. Borchill.

There are now twelve vacancies in the House of Commons, the three last added being through the elevation of three M. P.s to the bench, Sir Louis Davies, Mr. B. M. Britton and Mr. Thos. Fortin. There are also three vacancies in the Senate, one each in Quebec, Ontario, and Nova Scotia, caused by the deaths of Senators Villeneuve, Allen and Almon respectively.

Victims of Catarrh, Prejudiced.

Tried snuffs, they failed. Ointments and washes failed. Said there was no cure. Knew there wasn't because he had tried them all. This is how prejudice acts. There is, however, a balm in Gilead, a sovereign remedy for Catarrh, not dangerous because it acts quickly, not unpleasant because it is sure to cure. Its name is Catarrhazone. It destroys germs, it soothes, it heals. As certain as death to cure, as pleasant as sunshine to use. That's Catarrhazone. Your money back if it is not so. 25c. and \$1.00.

Don't let worms gnaw at the vitals of your children. Give them Dr. Low's Pleasant Worm Syrup and they'll soon be rid of these parasites. Price 25c.

From information received at the Department of Agriculture at Toronto, Canada's showing in live stock at the Pan-American has been very high. Sixty per cent. of the prizes in this department is deemed well within the mark. The Canadians have led in Shorthorns and Ayrshires, and will break about even with their American competitors in Galloways.

Pure teas of the best quality are what everybody wants, and UNION BLEND TEAS have no rivals in purity or excellence. They are sold at 25c., 30c., 35c. and 40c. a pound, the prices usually demanded for inferior teas.

Grand Duke hats at Lucy's, the latest and best. Men's suits in single and double breast at Lucy's, in all prices from \$4 to \$16. Men's fall and winter overcoats at Lucy's, neat new and nobby. Boys' oxford pants for school at Lucy's, the most serviceable and best. Men's reefers and ulsters at Lucy's in all styles and patterns. Men's dress silk hats at Lucy's in the latest and best styles. Men and boys white dress shirts at Lucy's of the newest and best makes.