

The Fairs.

Redding—Shasta County.

The Second Annual Fair of the Shasta County Agricultural and Mineral Association, at Redding, was an improvement on that of '87; the exhibits were larger and finer, the attendance greater, the arrangements and the management superior, and the receipts considerably exceeded running expenses.

In the three south rooms of the McCormick, Seltzer Co.'s new store were displayed the choice fruits, grains, grasses, vegetables, poultry, mineral and mechanical products, needle and art work and tempting edibles.

The showing of fruit, fresh, dried and canned, was quite remarkable. The cocoons and raw silk in Wm. Hawes' exhibit were noticed as hinting the sericultural capacity of the region.

On the opening night Mr. C. P. Dunham of Millville gave an address in which he briefly reviewed farming operations in the county since its settlement, touched upon its mineral resources and indulged in a prophecy of its glorious future. The address was listened to with attention and rewarded with applause.

Another evening Mr. Edmund Bell, an expert mineralogist, spoke very acceptably of the mining interests of Shasta. Mr. Francis Carr of Millville also delivered a pithy address which met with great favor at the hands of the audience.

The stock paraded on the racetrack made a fine showing. There were blooded stallions and mares, draft and carriage horses, jacks and thoroughbred cattle.

Appended are the awards, as given by the Democrat, in those classes with which RURAL readers are most concerned:

List of Awards.

LIVE-STOCK.—Best 3-yr-old stallion, J. S. Foster; 2d do., E. R. Jones. Pr. mares, M. T. Kite, Jack, E. R. Jones. 3-yr-old bull, 3-yr-old cow & calf, M. T. Kite. Durham bull E. R. Jones. 2-yr-old Durham bull, & graded calf, C. H. Behrens.

POULTRY.—Leghorns & Houdans, E. Travers; Golden Brahmas, Bings & Langshans, D. E. Honn; game chickens, C. L. Warner.

GRAINS, VEGETABLES, ETC.—Finest disp. farm products by any one person, Honn Land Co.; best gen. disp. by producer, W. Hawes; 2d do., J. N. Logan; wheat & barley, W. Hawes; rye, table beets, pumpkin & squash, G. W. Penman; Indian corn on stalk, —Green; Irish potatoes & sweet corn, J. N. Logan; tomatoes & carrots, Penman & Langfear; cabbage, W. Hawes; stock beets & peanuts, M. T. Kite; cucumbers, onions, potatoes, J. N. Logan; dried beans, W. Hawes; melons, E. Travers.

FLOWERS.—1st disp. flowers in box or stand, Mrs. D. N. Haskell; 2d do., Mrs. P. Glazier; finest bouquet cut flowers, Mrs. E. A. Reid; 2d do., Mrs. P. Glazier; 3d do., Mrs. J. N. Major; Mrs. R. Wick, spec. men. for flowers & grasses.

FRUITS.—Green, dried & preserved—1st disp. green fruits, F. W. Fish; 2d do., Sol Hufford; 3d do., W. Hawes. 1st disp. grapes, L. Schneider; 2d do., F. W. Fish; 3d do., Sol Hufford. Largest disp. raisins, F. W. Fish; 2d do., B. A. Shaffer; 3d do., J. H. Sumner. Largest disp. dried fruits, F. W. Fish; 2d do., J. H. Sumner; 3d do., B. A. Shaffer. Largest disp. preserved fruits in glass, Mrs. W. K. Reed; 2d do., Mrs. F. H. Deakin.

WINE.—F. W. Fish.

BACON.—W. Hawes.

Lakeport—12th District.

The attendance at the Lakeport Agricultural park this fall, at the 12th district fair, is said to have been the largest ever known on such an occasion in Lake county.

The display in the pavilion was a credit to the county, the exhibitors, and Supt. Maurice Keatinge, who, with Mesdames Cnamblin and Lee, and other lady assistants, worked early and late to make the display what it was—a tasteful and artistic success.

The appended list of awards will give some notion of the variety of farm, garden and orchard products on exhibition. As to the quilts and embroidery, the pictures and fancy articles, the mercantile outputs, and even the baby-show, we must pass them all with the mere mention.

Awards—Horses.

THOROUGHBRED.—A. S. Huskins, stallion B. B., 1st; G. Scudamore, s. Telegraph, 2d.

ALL WORK.—T. J. Faught, filly 2 yrs, 1st, & 1 yr, 1st; P. Henry, Ukiab, s. R-venue, 1 t, & m P-gy Ringgold, 1st; G. W. Christie, m. N. tie C., 2d; J. R. Garner, Lower Lake, s. Rob Roy, 2d.

DRAFT HORSES.—F. M. Burroughs, U. L., c. Blue Jay, 4 mos., 1st, & f. Gypsy, 5 mos, 1st; W. H. Ken, Little River, s. Round, Jr., 2d, & s. Togus, 1st.

NORFOLKS, PERCHERONS, ETC.—D. C. Rumsey, f. Daisy, 5 mos., 1st, & f. Myrtle, 4 mos., 2d. ROADSTERS.—Geo. Ellis, s. Back Sultan, 1st; Mat Johnson, Upper Lake, s. Mat, 2d; P. Henry, Ukiab, f. Oakland Mid, 4 mos., 1st; D. C. Rumsey, f. Lilly, 4 mos., 2d; L. H. Boggs, s. Keepsake, 2 yrs, 1st; Alex. Perry, Ukiab, c. Oakland Alex, 4 mos., 2d; L. H. Boggs, m. Bent B., 1st; Seth Rickabaugh, Kelsey, c. 4 mos., 1st; W. C. Helman, Ukiab, bay c., 1 yr, 1st, & brown c., 1 yr, 2d; Thos. Manning, m. Fillares, 2d.

CARRIAGE TEAM.—W. N. Thompson, Bess & Frank, 1st.

SADDLE HORSES.—W. A. Christie, f. Lottie, 3 yrs, 1st; Maurice Keatinge, Lower Lake, g. Colonel, 2d.

Jacks and Jennies.

Maurice Keatinge, jack Black Jack, 1st; R. Keatinge, jack Dun, 2d.

Cattle.

DURHAMS.—W. N. Thompson, b. c. Yclo Day, 1st, h. c. Lady Day, 1st, & b. Ashland, 1 t; T. Manning, b. Jumbo, 2d.

JERSEY.—Larkin Kelsey, cow Kittie, 1st.

GRADED.—J. M. Woodbridge, cow Daisy, 1st; G. W. Christie, h. c. Star, 1st.

Grain, Vegetables Etc.

E. P. Wray, corn on stalk, sugar corn; H. Dorr 1/2 doz stalks corn; E. P. Wray, timothy; G. Scudamore, beardless barley, common barley, common wheat, wheat in sheaves, b. barley in sh., c. barley in sh., table beets; T. J. Faught, hop; J. H. Combs, snow-flake wheat; J. Phillips, alfalfa seed; M. Keatinge, 1st, garden seeds, watermelons; E. P. Wray, 2d, 1. potatoes; W. Cogswell, 2d, 1. potatoes; W. B. McCabe, 1st, pumpkins, squashes; J. Phillips, sweet potatoes; E. P. Eachus, 1st, 1. potatoes, tomatoes, onions; E. P. Wray, 1st, gen'l disp. garden vegetables, cabbage, stock beets, green beans, dry beans, peas, onion sets; H. Wambold, 2d, garden seeds.

Fruit.

GREEN.—H. Dorr, 5 var. pears, 3d; M. Keatinge, 11 var. apples, 3d, peaches, 1st; A. J. Mothersaid, pears, 5th; M. Rummels, apples, 2d & 4th, pears, 4th; E. P. Wray, pears, 2d, apples, 5th, peaches, 5th and berries; L. P. Berger, Japan plums, 2d, Mediterranean figs, 2d, Smyrna figs, 1st, peaches, 2d; Mrs. J. L. Smythe, quinces, 1st; G. Scudamore, apples, 1st, peaches, 3d, pears, 1st, plums, 1st, quinces, 2d; J. R. Thomas, peaches, 4th; M. Keatinge, grapes, 2d, wine grapes, 1st; J. Mendenhall, table grapes, 2d, Japan pers.; L. P. Berger, table grapes, 1st, wine grapes, 2d, disp. & var. grapes, 1st; O. Bishop, Jap. plums.

DRIED.—H. Dorr, nectarines, 1st; W. D. Rantz, apples, 1st; M. Rummels, Lower Lake, peaches, 1st, plums, 1st; Mrs. D. C. MacDougal, prunes, 2d; H. C. Wilkinson, prunes, 1st.

IN GLASS.—M. Wambold, 1st; Mrs. M. Keatinge, 2d; G. Scudamore, 3d; Ada Bradley, special; H. C. Wilkinson, do.

Plants, Flowers, Etc.

Mrs. M. Simpson, foliage plants; Mrs. J. W. Mackall, plants in bloom; Mrs. E. P. Wray, cut flowers; Ada Bradley, coll. grass.

Miscellaneous

R. W. Rupe, cheese; G. Scudamore, butter; R. P. Eachus, fruit trees (spec); E. P. Wray, do.

San Luis Obispo—16th District.

The building lately put up for fair purposes at San Luis Obispo, at a cost of about \$12,000, is considered by Hon. J. V. Webster "the best-arranged and most commodious pavilion in the State, outside of San Francisco and Sacramento." The 16th District Fair this year drew a throng of visitors, and, according to the authority just cited, "was a complete success, so far as the agricultural and horticultural exhibits are concerned." The addresses at the pavilion by Col. Heath, Hon. J. V. Webster and Judge Adams were to the point and received enthusiastic commendation.

The display of vegetables by J. V. N. Young of Arroyo Grande comprised 4 varieties of table beets, 2 of sugar beets, 6 of stock beets, all large and attractive; 3 varieties of potatoes, 1 of cabbage, 7 of carrots, 1 of cucumber, 1 of sweet corn, 8 of squash, 1 of pumpkin, 9 of garden beans and some fine specimens of speckled sugar beet sown last July. There was a pumpkin that weighed over 118 1/2 pounds, and a Chili squash of 152 1/2 pounds. There was also a 90-pound beet raised by J. D. Roberts of Arroyo Grande.

J. Hansen, whose place is about three miles from town on the Avila road, exhibited onions, tomatoes, pepper, squash, cucumbers, rhubarb, beets, parsnips, cabbages, muskmelons, celery, leek, turnips, sweet corn, strawberries and green beans. The silver-skin onions measure six inches in diameter.

E. A. Atwood's place is four miles out on the Avila road. His exhibits comprise 16 varieties of apples, 1 of pears, 3 of peaches, 1 of prunes, 2 of figs, 5 of grapes. The prunes (Oregon Silver) were large, of a beautiful color, juicy and sweet. The apples, 33 plates, were a magnificent sight.

A. M. Hardie of Cayucos showed 5 varieties of peaches, 18 of apples, 2 of pears, 2 of lemons, 1 of soft-shell almonds, 8 of grapes, 5 of pumpkins and squash.

J. C. Stocking of Morro exhibited over 40 jars of fruit put up in different forms. The list comprised apples, pears, peaches, plums, cherries, quinces, grapes, tomatoes, figs, currants, blackberries and lemons, nearly all of which were put up in four different ways, as fresh, sweet pickle, jelly and jam. These were all in glass and made a fine display.

The output from Lompoc, in charge of W. W. Broughton, embraced over 100 varieties of apples and numerous varieties of pears, together forming the most varied and extensive display of fine fruits in the pavilion. As this, coming from another district, had not been provided for in the premium-list, the committee recommended that a special premium be awarded to it commensurate with the importance of the display.

The silk raised by Mrs. Chas. Spurgeon, and the cocoons produced by W. A. Henderson, showed what may be done in this country in the silk industry.

The above were a few of the more striking exhibits. For the rest we must content ourselves with the following extracts from the list of

Awards—Farm Products.

GRAIN, ETC.—Wheat, G. S. Brown, Starkey. Barley, S. C. Davis, Morro. Oats, J. V. Webster. (Over 7 feet high; often grows 10 tons to the acre.) Yellow corn in the ear, King Phillip, E. A. Atwood. White corn in ear, J. P. Andrews. Sweet corn in ear, J. Hansen. Kafir corn, evergreen millet, sugar-cane, sorghum, hops, J. V. Webster.

VEGETABLES.—Artichokes, seeds, J. V. Webster. Beets, carrots (the largest 8 1/2 lbs. without top; 8 var.; all are fine and large. One var., the Oxheart, has been known to produce 115 tons to the acre, without tops). Onions, beans (11 var.) sweet potatoes (3 var.) best cooking squash, best ex. garden

products by 1 person, J. V. N. Young, Arroyo Grande. Squash (largest) Capt. O. Root. (Will yield about 40 tons to the acre. The Yakaham var. yields as high as 60 tons.) Cabbage, E. Leedham, Arroyo Grande. (Leedham's mammoth cabbage, weight 86 pounds, very fine, growing thriftily, tender and may be eaten raw, not full grown). Potatoes, G. Devoto. Peppers, tomatoes, cucumbers, parsnips, turnips, J. Hansen. Single onion, green peas, A. T. Sauza. Pepper plants, J. S. Rice, Arroyo Grande. Radishes, Mrs. J. M. Vincent.

Horticultural.

APPLES.—1st, E. A. Atwood; 2d, E. Leedham, 3d, J. V. N. Young; best single var., Leedham's Gravenstein. Pears plums, oranges, E. Leedham, Lemons, Tartaglia, Adelaida. Prunes, E. A. Atwood. Peaches, A. M. Hardie, Cayucos. Strawberries (Longworth), J. V. N. Young. Blackberries, J. S. Rice, Arroyo Grande. Watermelon, largest, John Wilkinson (Cuban Queen var., 62 lbs.); do., best flavored, same party. Muskmelon, J. Hansen; Grapes, J. P. Andrews.

DRIED fruit, E. W. Steele. Canned (domestic), in glass, jams & jellies, J. C. Stocking. Jams from apples, pears & guavas, Mrs. H. M. Warden.

BEST single disp. orchard & vineyard products, E. A. Atwood. Best double disp., Hardie & Hazard (recom. spec. prem.). Best one var., E. Leedham.

NUTS.—Almonds, walnuts, J. P. Andrews. Chestnuts, M. J. Lopas (2 var., Italian & California, which produce abundantly).

Plants and Flowers.

BEST disp. flowering plants in pots, Mrs. Brumley. Non-flowering plants, Miss Hayes. Bouquets; roses, named, Mrs. Geo. O. Taylor. Sunflower, Capt. O. Root. Pampas plumes, Mrs. H. M. Warden.

Miscellaneous.

BUTTER, 50 lbs. Peter Tognazzini, Cayucos. Do., single roll, A. T. Garcia, S. L. O. Cheese, Frank Price, Pismo. Wines, Goldtree Bros. and Dr. Hays. Honey, Mrs. L. H. Bickford. Wool, E. Watkins. Cocoon, Wm. Evans.

Live-Stock—Horses.

THOROUGHBRED.—Best stallion, Enterprise, E. Price; b. t. mare, Paloma, Geo. Van Gorden; 2d do., Hit or Miss, E. Price.

STANDARD.—Best stal., Duke McClelland, W. H. Taylor; 2d do., Altoona, Geo. Steele.

ROADSTERS.—Best stal., Brown's Monroe S.; 2d do., Clarem't, G. Van Gorden; 1st stal, 1 yr, Ant-eal, Brown & Taylor; 2d do., Dodger, H. G. P. ty; best mare, H-ivetia, A. Tognazzini; 2d do., Gold Dust, J. H. Orcutt; m., 3 yrs, Daisy M.; m., 2 yrs, Nellie T.; yrlg. f., Carrie, C. R. Callendar; 2d do., P. rey C., same; s. g. colt, P. Edgar; 1st pair matched horses, H. M. Warden; 2d do., J. G. Pennington; 1st single roadster, Duke, Jr., N. H. Fitzwater; 2d do., Fl. ra D. R. S. Brown; best stal. & family, Altoona, Geo. Steele.

DRAFT.—Best stal., 3 yrs, Brutus, G. M. Frink; 2d do., Bayard, P. Kelly; stal., 2 yrs, Cognac, C. A. Rice; skg. c. & 1st m., E. W. Steele; 2d m. & skg. f., J. Clausen.

CARRIAGE.—Best team, H. M. Warden; 2d do., R. M. Shackelford; single horse, John Scott.

ALL PURPOSES.—Best stal., Young America, R. M. Shackelford; 2d do., Donahue; stal., 2 yrs., California Chief; m., 2 yrs, Jennie T.; m., 1 yr. H. J. Jasper-on; stal. & family, Dante, C. R. Callendar.

SADDLE HORSE.—Hillside, H. M. Warden.

Cattle.

HOLSTEIN bull, cows and herd, and Jersey cow, all to E. W. Steele.

Poultry.

WYANDOTTES.—Jos. Welch.

Fresno—21st District.

A brief account of the Fresno Fair was given by our correspondent, "A. L. A.," in the RURAL PRESS of 13th ultimo, but a few items from local papers may be added.

The pavilion recently built rises two stories high, is octagonal in shape and surmounted by a dome, covered with corrugated iron. The first floor was devoted to farm products, the second to needlework, paintings, etc.

T. C. White of the Raisina vineyard had a display of raisins that could not be equaled in the United States outside of Fresno county, and perhaps not in the world. Among them was the box that took the prize at the New Orleans Exposition in 1884, still in a fair state of preservation. It was sent with the railroad exhibit, but was singled out by the judges and awarded a gold medal. Raisins of the pack of '84, '85, '86, '87 and '88, were shown.

The display of cattle and horses was very fine. There were seven or eight of the famous prize Cleveland Bays from the Cook Farm in Contra Costa—barred from competing at the 21st District Fair, but brought thither, through the manager's exertions, for the Fresno farmers to admire—and 14 more of the same class, recently imported from the East, which were prize-winners in England, Chicago and Sacramento. Fifty stallions of all breeds and grades and about 75 mares and colts appeared on parade. One hundred head of cattle of the finest breeds—Polled Angus, Herefords, Short-horns, Holsteins, Jerseys and Durhams—were also in line, and fine specimens of sheep, hogs and poultry were noticed.

The show of 14 fine babies, the equestriennes' contest, in which Misses Gash, Caughill and Burnside rode well, and the receptions by California and Nevada's Governors, were among the attractions.

There was an entire absence of the fakirs who infest the fair grounds in some parts of the State; and but one row occurred, which was quickly stopped by the efficient police. Following are

Awards on Live-Stock.

THOROUGHBRED HORSES.—Best stall, Jocko, W. L. Ashe; best 3-yr-old mare, Serpolette, Owen Bros.; best 4 yrs & over mare, Stella Clark, with colt, T. O. Davis.

DRAFT HORSES.—Still 3 yrs & over, Illers, P. B. Donahoo; 2 yrs old, Jumbo, same owner.

ROADSTERS.—4 yr-old with colt, Jane, J. A. Richter; stall., 4-yr-old, El Capitan, W. L. Ashe; stall., 3-yr-old, Day Break, J. R. Jones; mare or gelding, Mattie Consuela, S. N. Straube.

GENERAL PURPOSES.—Stall., 4 yrs & over, Noell, Geo. Collins; mares, 3 yrs & over, 1 ca Davis; 3 yrs old, Mattie Consuela; and 2 yrs old, Theodora, all 3 to S. N. Straube; stall., with 5 of his get, Dixie, J. H. Brown.

COLTS.—Yearling horse, Stamboul, Owen Bros. Sucking horse, no name, J. G. D-wes. Yrlg mare, Millie H., sg mare, Elise, & best 6 colts, all to S. N. Straube.

SWEEPSTAKES.—Best stallion any age or breed, Clovis, S. N. Straube. 2d do., King Daniel, N. M. Motheral. Best mare any age or breed, Mattie Consuela, S. N. Straube. 2d do., Matte, same owner.

CATTLE.—(Class one). Bulls—Best 3-yr-old, Earl of Aberdeen, A. Heilbron & Bros. Two-yr-old, Fitz-wiliam, S. N. Straube. One-yr-old, 30th Kirk-levington, S. N. Straube. Bull calf, Little Wonder, Jr., F. G. Berry. Cows—Best 3-yr-old, Moder, 2d, S. N. Straube. Two-yr-old, Welcome, S. N. Straube. One-yr-old, Water Crystal, A. Heilbron & Bros. Hfr calf, 29th Rose, S. N. Straube. (Class two). Bulls—3-yr-old, Duke, W. J. Prather. Yrlg calf, Netherland Dam, Baird Bros. Cows—3-yr-old, (no name) Baird Bros. One-yr-old, (no name) same owners. Calf—Dairy, T. B. Lowery.

HEKDS.—Thoroughbred, any age, 1 male and 4 females, Shorthorns, S. N. Straube. Best herd under two years, 1 male and 4 females, same owner.

SWEEPSTAKES.—Best bull, any age or breed, 2d Earl of Aberdeen, A. Heilbron. Committee recommended premium to A. Heilbron & Bros. for half-breed Hereford calf.

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