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CUMBERLAND COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AND HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

(CONTINUED.)

FRUIT AND HONEY.

APPLES. The committee award the first premium \$3, to J. W. Gookin of N. Yarmouth Second, \$2, to E. Tobie of New Gloucester. They also recommend a diploma to J. Chase, and one to C. B. Hall of Westbrook.

PEARS. The display of Pears this season was remarkably fine, the number of varieties exhibited far exceeding those of former years. The individual specimens were many of them very beautiful, particularly those exhibited by Wm. P. Fessenden, Wm Aitchison and Byron Greenough.

CRANBERRIES. There were two or three very fine specimens of Cranberries exhibited—but the mode of cultivation not being given, the committee were debarred from awarding a premium.

GRAPES. The premium \$2, for the best specimen of foreign Grapes was awarded to J. Bradford of Portland, and for the best Isabella or native, \$1, to W. Gore of Freeport.— There were also many other very fine specimens of grapes both foreign and native, which the committee deemed worthy of particular notice as affording proof of what may be done in open grape culture even in this climate.

PEACHES. The committee would here notice particularly a quantity of Peaches presented by Mr G. W. Allen of Cape Elizabeth, for which they would recommend a diploma.

GEO FITCH, for the Committee.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Your committee find nine entries of Butter and two of Cheese. They award the first premium of a silver butter knife to G. Johnson of Westbrook.

Second, to H. Wilson of Gorham.

Third, to J. Chase of North Yarmouth.

There was some excellent butter presented by E. Thomes of Gorham, and Miss J. F. Leavitt of Portland, for which we would recommend a gratuity of 75 cts each.

There were other specimens of nice butter presented, for which the makers have our thanks.

CHEESE. 1st. Premium of a silver butter knife to Joseph Porter of Freeport.

3d. Premium to Charles Moulton, \$1.

Your committee did not consider it of a sufficient quality to entitle it to the second premium.

SAMUEL HASKELL,
MOSES WOODARD,
DAVID HAYES,

CARTS, CARRIAGES, &c.

The committee report with regret that the number offered for exhibition and premium was so limited; but they are happy to say that those which were exhibited were of a very high order of workmanship, and show at least that we have one firm of carriage makers in the county of Cumberland who are determined to excel.

A two wheeled Chaise manufactured by Merrill and Perry of Bridgton, was of fine model and first rate finish, to which we awarded the first premium of \$4.

An open buggy, manufactured by the same firm—in point of design and neatness of every part shows conclusively that they are workmen who need not fear competition, and to this we award the highest premium of \$4.

A pair of cart wheels was offered by Charles E. Bailey of Westbrook, which were first rate as far as they went towards making a cart, but as no premium was offered for cart wheels alone, we recommend a gratuity of \$2.

Two other pair of wheels were exhibited, but not of extra workmanship enough to entitle them to the second premium.

A Sleigh also was in the hall, but being only of fair workmanship, we did not award it a premium.

STEPHEN EMERSON,
JOSEPH CROSS,
O. C. FROST,

After the foregoing report was signed and the committee had separated, an open Buggy was offered for premium by Wm B. Shory, of the firm of McKenny & Shory of Portland, which was of very commendable workmanship and finish, and for which we award the second premium of \$2.

JOSEPH CROSS,
O. C. FROST,

LEATHER AND LEATHER FABRICS.

The committee respectfully report, that the variety in this department was not so large as they had reason to expect, or as they desired to see. The articles which were presented, however, were highly satisfactory, and some of them of very superior workmanship. Among them they notice ten sides slaughter sole leather, manufactured by Elbridge Tobie, at the Dennett Tannery, Portland, and find it to be a superior article.

Three sides dry hide sole-leather, manufactured by A. H. Buzzell, Plymouth, Me. for Tyler, Rice, & Co Portland. The committee find it to be a prime article, and it does much credit to the manufacturer. But as it was not manufactured in this county, it is not under the rules of the Society entitled to a premium.

One case of men's cowhide boots, manufactured by James Webb of Bridgton, and one do. men's shoes, very substantial and well made articles. Your committee would here remark, that to them it is a matter of surprise to see so few articles offered for exhibition in the boot and shoe line. Can it be possible that it is for want of emulation in the manufacturers'! A large business is done in the manufacturing of these goods in Portland and in the county. Then what can be the reason that the manufacturers will not emulate each other, and at the same time contribute to make our fairs as popular as possible?

They also notice four rolls copper riveted Leather Belting, manufactured by Jonathan Smith and Son, Westbrook, from leather of their own manufacture, tanned with oak and hemlock. Your committee are of opinion that these belts are equal in every respect to anything of the kind manufactured in Boston or N. York, and we would recommend a diploma to the manufacturers. Also by the same, one doz roll Calfskins, which do credit to the taste and skill of the manufacturers.

One traveling Trunk, manufactured by T. A. Howe, and one do. by J. & W. Bailey, both of Portland both prime articles—that of Mr Howe, however, they think is of superior workmanship.

One splendid Chaise Harness, manufactured by J. & B. Jordan, Portland. Your committee must say, that in stock and workmanship, this harness surpasses anything of the kind they have ever before examined.

There was also presented by James Crie of Portland, one set leading and one set suction Hose, of his own manufacture. Your committee cannot forbear recommending fire companies in want of hose to the favorable attention of this splendid article, and would further recommend a diploma to the manufacturer.

In accordance with the foregoing report, your committee award the following premiums:

To Jonathan Smith & Son for the best dressed Calfskins, first premium, \$2.

Elbridge Tobie for best Soleleather, do \$2.

James Webb for best thick boots, do \$2

do. for best men's Shoes, do \$1.50

J. & B. Jordan for best Harness, do \$2

T. A. Howe for best leather Trunk, do \$2

V. C. HANSON, Chairman of Committee.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]