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OPENING DAY OF THE MECHANICAL AND AGRICULTURAL FAIR. In order to have full and complete reports of all the facts and incidents of interest connected with the opening of the first grand fair of the Mechanical and Agricultural Association of Louisiana, we yesterday engaged several of our assistants to repair to the grounds, and report whatever they saw there worthy of mention. Their different reports are published below, and we think will be found, in their various details, as full and as comprehensive as it was possible to make them under the circumstances.

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practicable directions, the material progress of the country. In former days fairs were merely markets where the products of limited localities were gathered for sale; at which cattle or horses, sheep or hogs, or grain, produced in small quantities by individuals, were massed and packed at the expense of numerous or large purchasers, who of course could not be reached by them without most embarrassing difficulties, while such a thing as establishing an equitable price for them would have been impracticable.

By that time all the projected improvements will find their way upon the grounds, and Louisiana will possess a Fair Grounds unsurpassed in this country, and which will be, for a long time, the pride of the State. It is to be hoped that the directors of this enterprise will have passed away, and that the people of Louisiana will be able to enjoy the benefits of the fair in all its glory.

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