

West Virginia State

FAIR



With a crowd to-day as much better than Thursday of last year as Tuesday's and Wednesday's were better than these days in 1898 the State Fair Association will be very well satisfied.

To-day is "City Day"—sometimes called "big day" as it is invariably the occasion of the best attendance of the week.

WEDNESDAY AT THE FAIR.

Nearly Nine Thousand People in Attendance—"Merchants' Days" Visitors Swelled the Crowd—Everybody Pleased With the Big Show.

Nearly nine thousand people were in attendance at the state fair yesterday and greatly enjoyed the many new and special features that are to be seen this year.

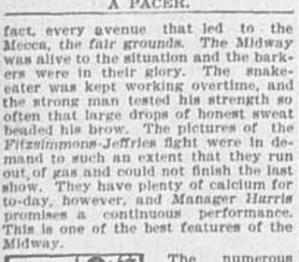
From the time the gates of the fair grounds opened at 7 a. m. there was a constant stream of people passing through, and probably the largest morning crowd in the history of the fair was present yesterday.

The judges in the department of premiums had not been completed were at work bright and early, and their movements were an attraction to most of the early sight-seers.

It was a great day at the fair for everybody. The weather was fine and all nature seemed to smile on the multitude that was crowding every car, every yacht, every ferryboat, and, in fact, every avenue that led to the Moon, the fair grounds.

The numerous cane racks did a land office business, as did the phonograph stands. The "hots" were in demand and the restaurants had nothing to complain of. The weighing machine and the striking machine took in many nickles, and in fact, every device to catch the penny had a run for its money.

The races were very fine and it was 7 o'clock before the last heat was run. The grand stand and quarter stretch were crowded and the people stayed un-



til the last race was over, so deep was the interest taken. Nearly every heat was exciting to the highest degree, and the betting was heavy.

The special features presented by Jay Cook's hippodrome and equine paradox were enjoyed by everybody, and all pronounced it to be the best feature ever engaged by the fair association.

This will be city day at the fair, and the banks will close at noon. A large number of retail concerns will also close, and most of the wholesale concerns will be closed during the afternoon, as well as many of the stores, and clerks and proprietors will do their mightiest to make the day one to be remembered.

Another thing that should be attended to is the decorating of business houses. There was very little of it yesterday, but the stores that were decorated stood out in such pleasant contrast that they were all the more conspicuous.

The grand cavalcade takes place at 1 o'clock this afternoon, and those who have never seen it should not allow this opportunity to pass. All the live stock is brought into the track, and headed by the Opera House band, will be marched around so that everybody can get a good view of them.

MANY MORE PREMIUMS

Were Awarded Yesterday in the Several Departments of the Fair. It was a busy day in the departments where the judges had not completed their labors in awarding the premiums.

In classes A and B, merinos, Oliver Watkins, of Maynard, O., took all the prizes, twelve in number. Class C—Southdowns, Lawrence Rodgers, of Neshannock, Pa., took first for rams two years and over, ram one year and over, ram lamb; ewes, two years and over, ewe lambs.

In class D—Cheviot Dorset, horn or any other mutton breed not mentioned above, five premiums were awarded to James L. Henderson & Son, Washington, Pa.

In class E—Flour, grain and seeds, awards were made to W. W. Kilpatrick, Theo. Neff, W. F. Nutt, Henry Nutt, George Abbott, Drill, O., and Mrs. S. A. Clipp.

In class F—Special premiums in fruits awarded to W. F. Nutt, Henry Nutt, George Abbott, Drill, O., and Mrs. S. A. Clipp.

In class G—Short-horn—Bull, two years and under three, E. L. Corrick & Son, Adena, O.; bull, one year and under two, first and second premiums divided equally between J. W. Sternberger & Sons, Gallipolis, O., and S. A. Hanna, Unionvale, O.

In class H—Hampshire and Oxford, Ed. Steele, of Sandyville, O., took all six prizes. In class I—Cheviot Dorset, horn or any other mutton breed not mentioned above, five premiums were awarded to James L. Henderson & Son, Washington, Pa.

In class J—Hampshire and Oxford, Ed. Steele, of Sandyville, O., took all six prizes. In class K—Cheviot Dorset, horn or any other mutton breed not mentioned above, five premiums were awarded to James L. Henderson & Son, Washington, Pa.

Fairview, W. Va. In the other contests first premiums were awarded to P. G. Walker, two; Wm. Lindsay & Son, three; P. A. Pugh, two.

Second premiums were awarded to R. J. and W. J. Munce, five; Chris. Felts, Ohio county, W. Va., two; Lindsay & Son, one.

Sweepstakes—Short-horn bull and four females, over two years old, E. L. Corrick & Son, Adena, O.

Aberdeens and Angus—Clarke Bros., Freeport, O., two firsts.

Class Horses. The premiums in the class horses were awarded as follows: Class A—Carriage and general purpose, any breed: Best stallion, three years old or over, J. C. Hoge, Mt. Pleasant, O., and J. G. Johnson, Lucille, O.

Class B—Heavy draft horses: Best stallion, two years old or over, W. R. Heburn, Morning View, O.

Class C—Light horses: Best stallion, two years old or over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class D—Sows: Best sow, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class E—Pigs: Best pig, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class F—Poultry: Best hen, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class G—Ducks: Best duck, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class H—Geese: Best goose, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class I—Rabbits: Best rabbit, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class J—Bees: Best hive, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class K—Apiculture: Best apiary, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class L—Aquaculture: Best pond, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class M—Fishing: Best catch, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Class N—Horticulture: Best garden, two years old and over, W. J. Thorp and Ralston Bros., Wellsburg, W. Va.

seconds on single birds, 1 first on breeding pen.

S. D. and J. W. Riley, S. Clairsville, O., won 11 firsts on single birds, 7 seconds on single birds, 2 firsts on breeding pens, 2 seconds on breeding pen.

James Anderson, West Alexander, Pa., won 1 first on single bird, 2 seconds on single bird, 1 first on breeding pen, 1 second on breeding pen.

Frank Rink & Co., Viola, W. Va., won 3 seconds on single birds, 2 seconds on breeding pen. All first on white and splashed fantail pigeons.

J. C. Williams, of Wheeling, W. Va., won 2 seconds on B. B. game, bantams and all firsts and seconds on homing pigeons.

John W. Hopkins, of Brilliant, O., showed a very nice coop of white barrel rock, but got in too late to enter in competition.

S. M. Hudson, Athens, O., had a fine display of incubators and brooders on exhibition.

Yesterday Afternoon Enjoyed by Between 8,000 and 9,000 People—One was Undecided, and Will be Run off To-day.

The racing yesterday afternoon at the state fair was the best of the week and was greatly enjoyed by between 8,000 and 9,000 spectators.

The 2:24 trot, went to Gertrude M. in four heats, who won the first, third and fourth, while she went up in the air in the second and finished fifth to Patsy B.'s first.

The 2:17 trot, was unfinished, J. W. C. and Jean Lee taking two heats each. Both horses are even in material, and when the race is finished this afternoon some great sport is assured.

The 2:24 Trot. The races were delayed by the cake walk and pie-eating contest, and at 2:30 o'clock the 2:24 trot was put on. All of the six horses entered faced the starter.

First heat—Gertrude M. sold favorite for this heat, with Windsor second choice and Patsy B. third choice. After scoring several times the horses got away with Gertrude in the lead. She maintained her lead and was easily the winner of the heat.

Second heat—The second heat was a repetition of the first heat in the betting, but Gertrude's supporters in the betting ring got an ugly surprise, their horse not being able to finish better than fifth, with Patsy B. winner of the heat. Patsy assumed the lead at the start. Onward Silver took up the argument, but was pocketed by Vivo and kept out of it at the finish, just when he was performing to the queen's taste.

Third heat—Gertrude, notwithstanding her bad showing in the second heat, was a 2-1 favorite. Onward Silver led to the three-quarter pole, when Gertrude was let out a notch or two and won the heat easily.

Fourth heat—In this heat Gertrude didn't figure in the heat, it being considered pretty near a sure thing that she would win the heat and race. She went out in the lead, and stayed there throughout, winning without straining a nerve.

Summary: Gertrude M. b. m. John Call, 1 5 1 1; Glenville, Ohio, 1 5 1 1; Patsy B. b. h. P. Brennan, 2 1 4 4; Braddock, Pa., 2 1 4 4; Onward Silver, s. c. T. W. Price, Lexington, Ky., 5 3 2 2; Vivo, b. m. B. B. McCarter, 4 3 3 3; Windsor, ch. g. E. P. Whitcomb, Bradford, Pa., 3 4 5 5; Jim Spanker, b. g. Curry & Campbell, Marietta, O., 6 4 5 4; Time—2:15 1/2, 2:15 1/2, 2:15 1/2, 2:15 1/2.

The 2:40 Pace. In the 2:40 pace Sarah W. was drawn and the starters were Blase, Benona

Jennings, Nobby Wilkes, Birdie McCoy and Tommie B.

McFadden's Shirts, Hats, Shoes. 10c FOR BOSTON STYLE MEN'S GARTERS. ARM BANDS or Sleeve Holders with patent adjustable buckles, an extra firm quality, black, red or blue, for 5c. OVER SLEEVES, to keep shirt sleeves clean when not wearing coat, for 10c. PATENT BUTTONS, for pants, the kind that can be put on without sewing, a full box for 10c.

The others at any stage. The time was rather slow, comparatively speaking. Second heat—Notwithstanding Jean Lee's win of the first heat, J. W. C. was equally a favorite in the betting.

The three horses got away beautifully bunched and for a time it looked like anybody's race. J. W. C. and Jean Lee trotted the entire race distance into the home stretch practically neck and neck, but just before the wire was reached J. W. C. broke badly and was defeated.

It was the best race ever witnessed on the state fair track. Third heat—Before this heat 4 to 1 was offered on Una Bell. The three horses got away close together, and soon J. W. C. and Jean Lee were in the lead and making a great race of it.

With this heat to her credit Jean Lee would have won the race, but it was fated otherwise, J. W. C. taking the heat in a close finish, with the erstwhile winner, Jean Lee was only half a length to the bad and was driven hard at the finish.

Fourth heat. This heat, too, went to J. W. C., making honors for the afternoon even between Jean Lee and Una Bell. With this heat to her credit Jean Lee would have won the race, but it was fated otherwise, J. W. C. taking the heat in a close finish, with the erstwhile winner, Jean Lee was only half a length to the bad and was driven hard at the finish.

Summary: Jean Lee, b. m. Locust Grove, 1 1 1 2 2; Una Bell, ch. m. R. C. Beaver, 2 3 1 1; Time—2:25 1/2, 2:15 1/2, 2:15 1/2, 2:15 1/2.

TWO GREAT FEATURES Of the Fair Yesterday Were the Pie Eating and Cake Walk. Two of the most enjoyable features of the fair yesterday were the cake walk and the pie eating contest, which were pulled off in front of the grand stand at 1 o'clock under the direction of Mr. C. R. Tracy.

There were six couples in the cake walk, which was won by Mr. Cal. Thompson and Miss Wilson. The pie eating contest went to George Price, who ate an unmentionable number of cakes in this contest the contestants' hands were tied.

HOTELS CROWDED. Many Out-of-Town People Were Registered Yesterday. The hotel registers yesterday demonstrated the influx of state fair visitors, among whom were the following:

Howell—G. F. Thompson, L. Kurner, W. E. Ferris, Sistersville; O. D. Miller, Hettie Rhodes, John Cronin, James A. Morgan, M. A. Morgan, Mannington; W. A. Williamson, A. B. Case and wife, St. Mary's; J. W. Goodwin, Sardis; John Matthews and wife, J. W. Swan, T. E. Watson, Middlebourne; J. W. Eddy and J. D. Livingston, Shiloh; H. E. McMains, Selo; J. Way, Will Powell, Miss Anna Scott, Miss Priscilla Scott, Miss Knutson, Mrs. Scott, Matamoros; L. R. Lantz and wife, Woodfield; Ray Harner, Clarksville; M. L. Meredith, Palatine; Marcus Morgan, Fairmont; H. H. Hardman, Alva; W. R. Rine and wife, Bud; W. F. Clark, L. W. Moore, Kidwell; R. M. Wilson and wife, Bird; E. Yeater, Chauncey Yeater, Adolm; Mrs. Z. J. Martin, Amos; John McComas; Hundred; F. J. Tooman, Brink; Thomas Tremer and wife, Fairmont; E. Robinson, New Martinsville.

Stamm—C. E. Evansitt and wife, New Martinsville; Robert McCormick, Clell Nichols, Miss Kate Jordan, Dan Lord, Sistersville; J. W. Sanders and wife, William A. T. Smith, W. A. Smith, C. J. Smith, Friendly; W. E. Kirchner, Herbert Kirchner, J. W. Twyman, Jr., M. H. Stouley, Miss Fose Teale, Miss Josephine Stealey, Miss Knutson, Middlebourne; O. M. Baker, Murphoytown; A. B. Williamson, Cora Johnson, C. R. Wagner, Bertie Morgan, Sugar Valley; G. W. Mason, St. Mary's; F. Downs, of Downs; Dr. D. C. Smith, wife and son, Shiloh; A. W. Duty, George Reppard, S. H. Long, A. Y. Duty, Emery Riggs, R. W. Ashe, G. B. Stathers, Emma Stathers, Thos. Connally, Mary Reppard, Almy J. R. Stathers, Josephine E. Finley, Parkersburg; R. S. Lantz and wife, Pierce B. Lantz, Blacksville; T. C. Pipes, Cameron; G. W. Millan, Worthington; C. W. Pritchard, Mannington; F. D. Lemon, of Mellon; T. T. Lanan, of McFarland; John A. Beck and wife, J. C. Parish and wife, Farmington; U. A. Clayton, Fairmont; S. A. Carney, Littleton; J. B. Hutchingson, Barney Tree, T. C. Gallahan, Fairmont; J. W. Smith, C. L. Clayton, James Conway, Barracksville; W. Hunter Atha and wife, Miss Jessie Kuhn, Amos; George Scott, Olive Scott, L. Smith, Acy Allen, of Wasp.

Grand Central—R. L. Cunningham, Frank Amos, F. L. Snider, L. M. Ross, N. A. Clayton, Fairmont; F. E. Cole, Grafton; H. D. Hackman, J. B. Barnes, L. J. Neely, D. A. Hawcutt and son; Mrs. Winner, and sister, Mannington; Lena McMillen, Nora Hahay, Martha McMillen, Mrs. Cunningham, Myrtle Camp, Mrs. Pilgrim, Catherine Cochran, H. Owens and wife, Grafton; Mrs. Mitchell, St. Clairsville; Mrs. Van Allen, Cambridge; George W. Curtin, Sutton; C. C. Anderson, Burnesville.

Windsor—S. R. Wells, S. R. McManara, Mrs. S. D. Wells, Miss Dora Potts, Miss Anna Leasure, Miss Lizzie Kerns, Robert McElwain, New Martinsville; George B. McNeely and wife, C. A. Horsford and wife, Sistersville; C. W. A. Wooten, Woodfield; J. R. Linn and wife, A. A. Hamilton and wife, Chas. E. Manley, Fairmont; Mrs. Thomas Mills and son, New Martinsville; Lee Armstrong, Fritz Neuhard and wife, Woodfield; J. H. Bailey, wife and daughter, Parkersburg; J. H. Strickling and wife, Middlebourne; L. Bron, Ida M. Thomas, A. C. Frew, C. H. Gerard, P. A. Schreconcut, Mrs. J. L. Kirkland and son, T. C. Murphy, Mrs. J. F. Christy and daughter, Miss Ora Dent, Mannington; W. H. Rea, Mrs. C. D. Smith, W. S. King, W. J. McCrickart, Friendly; J. S. Sidwell, Wadestown; Charles Muhleman, Hannibal.

St. Charles—Archie St. Clair, Washington; T. O. Glass, Z. A. Wilkin, Ralph Roby, E. E. Roby and wife, N. S. Hemmerville and wife, St. Mary's; M. J. Anderson and wife, Wyatt; G. G. Mitchell, Montana; H. T. Blair, Will Jackson, Miss Katie Van Horn, Mrs. L. W. Conaway, Fairmont; A. M. Kuhn, Russell Kuhn, W. S. Talkington, D. S. Gault, H. Hought, E. W. Hamilton, Farmington; U. B. Ice and wife, Co-

burn; T. J. Anderson and wife, E. J. Anderson, Eva Anderson, Shiloh; J. D. Thompson, Uniontown; James F. Warner, Anna Warner, Calais; Jonathan Gilmore, Batesville; C. E. Shannon, Parkersburg; A. G. Gough, Ravenswood; W. H. Fry, E. W. Fitzgerald, Cameron.

NOTES OF THE FAIR. To-morrow is children's day. Cavalcade to-day at 1 o'clock. Fine races to-day and to-morrow. The strong man is a strong attraction. The fair of 1899 is drawing to a close. The snake eater had lots of company yesterday.

A Market street restaurant served 700 meals yesterday. Just two more days of the same kind, Mr. Wender says. "The Man with the Hoe" was in the city without yesterday. The Roman standing races and the chariot races have captured the crowd. The incubator man can afford to count his chickens before they're hatched. The horse shoers of Wheeling will close their shops at noon to-day to attend the fair. Secretary Hook smiled contentedly when he glanced at the crowd in the grand stand yesterday afternoon. The hotels were crowded to overflowing last night and many were forced to walk the streets, unable to secure accommodations. Now, after this week, everybody wants to prepare for the big time coming when the Knights of Pythias encampment and grand lodge convene October 10-14.

DISTINGUISHED PARTY Of West Virginia Republicans at the State Fair Yesterday—All Confident of Success—Gen. Curtin Not a Candidate for Governor. The several prominent Republicans of this state who came to Wheeling Tuesday night were among the thousands who attended the fair yesterday afternoon, and a very distinguished group they were. In the party were United States Senator Nathan B. Scott, of this city; Postmaster George Wise, City Collector James K. Hall, Collector of Internal Revenue A. B. White, of Parkersburg; General G. W. Curtin, of Sutton; Auditor L. M. La Follette, and a number of lesser lights. In the course of a conversation yesterday afternoon General Curtin intimated that he was not prepared to make the business sacrifices necessary before he could avow himself a candidate for the Republican gubernatorial nomination. Mr. White, on the other hand, is now an avowed candidate for the nomination, and his friends see in him a man who would make a vigorous canvass for both nomination and election. His chances for both are considered excellent. All the visitors expressed themselves as confident of Republican success in West Virginia and the nation next year. During the morning Messrs. Scott, Dawson, White, Curtin, La Follette, Hall and others were in conference at Senator Scott's rooms in the McClure, and the political situation was discussed informally, but thoroughly.

IRON AND STEEL Market at Pittsburgh Shows Few Changes Over Last Week. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 6.—The American Manufacturer will say tomorrow: The iron and steel market shows few changes in the prices of last week, the only material advance developing in foundry iron, which spurred 50 cents per ton for northern and 75 cents per ton for southern iron. In all other lines the former quotations hold good though there is the same pressure and the same temptations. Buyers are just as clamorous but they are developing a waiting disposition. Buyers even now are beginning to hold off on everything that will have the effect of bringing about conditions more like the normal. The resumption of old furnaces and mills and the building of new ones will also produce an effect, but as these cannot begin to produce for some time, they will be little if any change in the present basis for another year. About all the recent sales of material from pig-iron up to all finished shapes have been for next year's delivery, in many cases covering almost all of 1900, though in the majority perhaps not extending beyond June 30, 1900. There is a threatened scarcity of iron. A great iron in eastern Pennsylvania, the best producing region of eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey. It is stated that several new plants are being erected and that all the existing plants are being enlarged. The demand for cement has increased about 75 per cent over last year's, according to local authorities. Constructing engineers at Philadelphia stated last week that there are now quite a number of important office building contracts that will be ready before cold weather. Sub-contractors for iron and steel, stone, etc., will be, they think, placed by disbursement there is no serious discouragement given by advancing prices. The eastern engineering plants are now figuring on an unusual quantity of hydraulic machinery. PURE, clean and wholesome, made from the choicest cuts of pork, seasoned with the purest spices. You can famous Hoffman sausage, sold by them at 2544 Chapline street, stall 17th ward, or stall 11, Second ward market. ALWAYS ask your grocer for Wheeling Bakery Bread, Good, Big, Cheap. Robbed the Grave. A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually increasing, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Fortunately, a friend advised me to try Electric Bitters. I bought a bottle and took three weeks, and am now a well man. I have saved my life, and I should have grave of another victim. No one should fail to try them. Only Co. drug store, 1