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THE CATTLE SHOW AT THE EXPOSITION.

The exhibit of cattle at the International Cotton Exposition now in progress at Atlanta, Ga., has seldom been surpassed in the quality of the exhibit as a whole, or in the excellence of the individual animals which took some of the prizes.

The Short Horn herds exhibited by Messrs. J. R. Anderson, of Anderson's, Ohio, and Geo. W. Palmer, of Saltville, Virginia, were superb. The head of Mr. Anderson's herd weighed 2,670 pounds, and that of Mr. Palmer's herd, a younger animal, weighed 2,000 pounds. The objects had prominently in view in the breeding of the two herds were conspicuously prominent in the characteristics of the animals. Mr. Anderson's herd had been bred with an eye almost single to the production of beef, while Mr. Palmer had sought a combination of beef and milk production. Mr. Anderson's cattle had evidently received more special preparation as show animals, and even as such were over-fat as stock animals. We hardly think a breeder of the skill shown in the quality of Mr. Anderson's herd would prefer to breed from animals in the pampered condition of the individuals of the herd exhibited. Yet he showed that he knew how to capture the eye of the average observer, and we doubt not, attract that of the best judges. His herd does him credit as a skillful breeder of Short Horns and an experienced exhibitor, for few men can eliminate the influence of *fat* in their judgment of animals of any kind, even when it has nothing to do with the qualities on which they are called upon to pass. The Exposition was fortunate in having as judges in every class of cattle, men of experience and character, men who thoroughly understood their business. The awards were made with the best judgment and the most even-handed justice. Mr. Anderson took the prize of $350 on his Short Horn herd, that for the best bull of any age, and the best heifer. Mr. Palmer took the prize for the best cow over three years, the best bull between two and four years, and the best cow of any age.

Mr. D. J. Whitmore, of Troy, Ohio, exhibited a superb herd of Devon cattle, and captured the herd prize of $250, and two other liberal prizes.

Mr. Ed. D. Hick, of Nashville, Tenn., who exhibited a herd, and Mr. Palmer, of Saltville, Va., who competed for the individual prizes, divided the latter with Mr. Whitmore. The exhibit of Devons was very fine, both in numbers and quality. Mr Whitmore's herd especially gave evidence of very skillful breeding. This was exhibited in the uniformity of the type of his animals and in the full development of the characteristic points of the Devons.

Individuals in the other herds possessed particular points of excellence superior to those of Mr. Whitmore's cattle, but the *tout ensemble* of Mr. W.'s herd was simply superb. There is no herd of animals in which the characteristic points which distinguish them are so fixed and permanent as the Devons. They have been bred pure as far back as we have any authentic history, and hence have in a degree not possessed by any other breed the power of stamping their type upon their offspring even when bred to the most insignificant grade.

Jerseys were well represented in the herds of Messrs. J. B. Wade and R. Peters, Atlanta Ga., and G. W. Palmer, Saltville, Va.

Mr. Wade's herd was simply superb, and was awarded the herd premium of $250. Besides this he took four individual premiums amounting in all to $460.

Mr. Wade has the honor of owning a Jersey cow, Tenella, which has made the best score on record, either in Europe or America, as to quantity of milk. The largest yield of milk by a Jersey cow until Tenella reported, was 53 pounds. Tenella gave, in one day, a yield of 55 pounds 1 ounce, at two milkings, both made in the presence of a committee of gentlemen who attended to witness and establish beyond dispute the authenticity of the record. We look with much interest to the report of the yield of butter from this cow. It has not yet been tested, but judging from her points of excellence we expect her to eclipse Eurolas. The awards were made on Thursday. On Friday the stock was paraded around the old race-track, which surrounds the main building, and stopped in front for some minutes for the inspection of visitors. Here arranged in a line fronting the embankment they presented a beautiful sight, which was witnessed and admired by hundreds of visitors. It was admitted on all hands to be a superb cattle show, and one worthy of any locality and any occasion.

Our Chip Basket.

There are 268,830 pensioners in the United States.

The number of ordinary postage stamps issued in 1881 was 954,128,440.

Gen. Moise, of Sumter, had a hog killed, recently, which weighed 966 pounds gross.

Marvin, the multitudinously married, is making shoes in the Virginia Penitentiary.

Miss Annie Louise Cary is credited with the possession of $450,000, all earned by singing.

The *Courier-Journal* says the Louisville ladies trim their bonnets on the congregation side.

Fifteen hundred additional spindles have recently been ordered for the Rock Hill Cotton Factory.

Sarony, of New York, has paid Patti $1,000 for the exclusive right to photograph her in this country.

Between nine and ten millions of the Moody and Sankey Gospel Hymns had been sold up to July 1, 1881.

The total number of emigrants from Germany to the United States from January 1 to October 31, 1881, is 114,789.

Sen. Anthony sent every member of the United States Senate, as well as every living ex-member of that body, a Thanks-giving turkey.

Van Amburg's circus and menagerie was sold at auction in Duchess Co., N. Y., the other day. An elephant brought $7,100, a camel $625, and a rhinoceros $2,400.

Mr. Comly, who was sent to the Hawaiian Islands for the benefit of his health by Mr. Hayes, four years ago, desires another term. The salary is $7,500, and the duties consist in receipting for it.

Pres. Garfield's memory is to be honored in London by the founding of a Home for Working Girls, to be called 'Garfield House.' A lady has given $1,250 to a committee for this purpose.

Mr. Salter, a stone mason, of Sherwood, Quebec, flew into a passion because something was lacking on his table, went to a restaurant for his supper, and choked to death on a piece of beef-steak.

Mr. B. H. Greer, of Anderson County, has a cow from which he sold between January 20 and November 4 of this year, 173¾ pounds of butter, in addition to furnishing all that was necessary for home consumption.

The total population of the United States as finally determined by the last census is 50,155,783, an increase since 1870, of about 30 per cent. So far the census has cost $3,860,068, and $540,000 will be required to complete the work.

In the case of Edward Maxwell, who was dragged out of a court room by lynchers at Durand Wis., the noose killing him before the mob got him to a tree, a Coroner's jury has declared that he 'fell from the court house steps and broke his neck.'

The Carolina Spartan is bitterly opposed to the re-opening of the Citadel and Arsenal. It says: "It will be less expensive to create about nineteen hundred more brigadiers and colonels. That is about as much of the military as the State now needs."

The Mayor of Richmond, Va., has vetoed an ordinance for compulsory vaccination, the penalty being $5. His objection to the ordinance is that the provision for free vaccination is such that laboring men and women would be forced to lose a day's labor in order to be vaccinated.

A heavy rain storm prevailed at the time appointed for Frank Well's marriage, at Crawfordville, Ind., and it may be that the dampness quenched his matrimonial ardor, for he borrowed $6 and an umbrella from the bride, walked off hurriedly toward the railroad station, and has not since been seen in the town.