

**A SPICE ORCHARD.**—In one of his letters from the East, Bayard Taylor gives an account of a visit to a nutmeg orchard on the island of Penang:

"On our return to the ship, we visited a nutmeg plantation. The trees, which are from 20 to 30 feet in height, are planted in rows, at intervals of about 20 feet. The leaf is dark green and glossy, resembling that of the laurel, and the fruit, at a little distance, might be taken for a small russet-colored apple. When ripe, the thick husks split in the centre, showing a scarlet network of mace, enveloping an inner-nut, black as ebony, the kernel of which is the nutmeg of commerce. The clove tree, not now in its bearing season, has some resemblance to the nutmeg, but the leaf is smaller, and the foliage more loose and spreading. As we drove through the orchard, the warm air of noon was heavy with spice. The rich odors exhaled from the trees penetrated the frame with a sensation of languid and voluptuous repose. Perfume became an appetite, and the senses were drugged with an over-powering feeling of luxury. Had I continued to indulge in it, I should ere long have realized the Sybarite's complaint of his crumpled rose-leaf."

**DON'T BE IN A HURRY.**—It's no sort of use. We never knew a fellow who was always in a hurry that wasn't behindhand.—They are proverbial all over the world for bringing nothing at all to pass. Hurry, skurry, blutter splutter—what does it all amount to? Not a straw. If you want to accomplish any thing as it should be accomplished, do a thing as it should be done, you must go about it coolly, moderately, firmly, faithfully, heartily. Hurrying, feasting, fuming, spluttering, will do no good—not the least. Are great works or great men made in a hurry? Not at all. They are the product of time, patience—the result of slow solid development. Nothing of moment is made in a hurry. Nothing can be, nothing ought to be. It is contrary to nature, reason, right, justice, philosophy, common sense.

Your man of hurry is no sort of character, or rather a very shiftless one. Always in confusion, loose at every point, unhinged and unjointed, blowing and puffing here and there; racing and ranting, but all ending in smoke.

**A GOOD YIELD.**—Mr. A. Coffin, of Ontonagon, Michigan, in a letter to Mr. J. C. Holmes, of this city, says that he raised last year, on 16 acres of land, at Ontonagon, 2,500 bushels of potatoes, worth \$2,500, and 16 tons of oats, in sheaf, and hay, worth \$400; making the total value of the products of the 16 acres, \$2,900. The expense of raising this crop did not exceed \$500.—[Det. Inq.]

**SUBTERRANEAN STREAM—NARROW ESCAPE.** A man called in our office a few days since, and informed us that a man named Morgan, while digging a well on his place, about midway between this village and St. Paul, discovered a subterranean stream of water, four feet in depth, which flowed with great velocity. Its width could not be ascertained.

After sinking a shaft down 53 feet, Mr. Morgan struck a rock, and in trying to loosen it, it fell with a quick plunge, and was lost in the water below. Mr. M. felt the ground giving way under his feet, and he called most lustily for "the rope," which was lowered almost instantly, and he seized it just in time to save himself from falling through into the turbid waters.—[Hudson, St. Croix Co., Ill., Journal.]

**GREAT TUNKER MEETING.**—A meeting of the Christian denomination called Tunkers, from almost all parts of the Union, was held last week and Sabbath, a few miles from Ashland, in Ashland county. It is estimated that there were from 15 to 20,000 persons on the ground.—[Mansfield Shield & Banner.]

**PRICE OF A CANING.**—In the court of common pleas for this county, yesterday, Joseph G. Gest, of Greene county, was brought to trial for the assault upon S. D. Harris, of this city, in January, 1853. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff for \$300.—[O. State Journal.]

**THE FOURTH ANNUAL FAIR OF THE WOOD COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

Will be held at Portageville, on Wednesday and Thursday, October 4th and 5th, 1854. It is expected that an address will be delivered by S. JEFFERSON, Esq.

**Premium List.**

**FARMS.**

For the best improved Farm, of not less than fifty acres, exclusive of wood-land and waste-land, regard being had to the quantity and quality of produce, the manner and expense of cultivation, and the actual products: One set of the Ohio Cultivator, (seven bound volumes.)

2d best Farm: Fook of the Farm, in two volumes, worth \$6. Awarding Committee—Geo. Williams, Plain; A. Brown, Weston; D. Ladd, Perrysburg.

All persons offering Farms for premiums, are required to notify the committee, giving them sufficient time to inspect their farms before the first day of the fair, and must also be members of the society.

**CATTLE OF THE COUNTY.**

Best Bull of any foreign blood, 1 year old, diploma, Rural New Yorker and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and Ohio Cultivator. Best 2 year old, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best 3 year old, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$3; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best yearling Bull, native blood, diploma and Perrysburg Journal; 2d best, diploma and Maumee Valley Democrat. Best 2 year old, diploma, M. V. Democrat and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and P. Journal. Best 3 year old, diploma, M. V. Democrat and cash \$3; 2d best, diploma and P. Journal. Awarding Committee—Wm. Chapman, Montgomery; H. L. Wood, Troy; A. Fay, Plain.

**WORKING OXEN AND STEERS.**

Best yoke of yearling Steers, diploma and Perrysburg Journal; 2d best, diploma and Maumee Valley Democrat. Best 2 year old, diploma, Rural New Yorker and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best 3 year old, diploma, P. Journal and cash \$2; 2d best, diploma and M. V. Democrat. Best 4 year old yoke Oxen, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$3; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Awarding Committee—Elliot Warner, Washington; James Pember, Freedom; John Robertson, Perrysburg.

**FAT CATTLE & SHEEP—OVER 3 YRS OLD.**

Best pair of Oxen, diploma, O. Cultivator and cash \$2; 2d best, diploma and R. N. Yorker. Best single Ox, diploma, P. Journal and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and M. V. Democrat. Best fat Cow, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best fat Steer, diploma, P. Journal and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and M. V. Democrat. Best fat Heifer, diploma, O. Cultivator and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and R. N. Yorker. Best fat Sheep, diploma, M. V. Democrat and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and P. Journal. Awarding Committee—A. Bassett, Weston; Elam Henry, Montgomery; John Fenton, Webster.

**MILCH COWS.**

Best milch Cow, diploma, O. Cultivator and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and R. N. Yorker; 3d best, diploma and P. Journal. Awarding Committee—Edwin Gorton, Bloom; Sidney L. Brewster, Plain; Thomas Gorrill, Troy.

**COWS AND CALVES.**

Best Cow of any foreign blood, over 3 years old, diploma, O. Cultivator and cash \$2; 2d best, diploma and Ohio Cultivator. Best 2 year old blooded Heifer, diploma, O. Cultivator and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best blooded Cow and Calf, diploma, P. Journal and cash \$2; 2d best, diploma and M. V. Democrat. Best Cow and Calf, native blood, over 3 years old, diploma, O. Cultivator and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best native Heifer, diploma, M. V. Democrat and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and P. Journal. Best native Cow and Calf, diploma, O. Cultivator and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Awarding Committee—Henry Lundy, Center; S. Hatch, Plain; Geo. W. Underwood, Portage.

**HORSES.**

Best Stallion, 1 year old, diploma and M. V. Democrat; 2d best, diploma. Best 2 year old, diploma and M. V. Democrat; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best 3 year old, diploma and P. Journal; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best 4 year old, diploma and P. Journal; 2d best, diploma and M. V. Democrat. Awarding Committee—Alex. Brown, Liberty; Eber Wilson, Perrysburg; David Whitney, Middleton.

**BROOD MARES, &c.**

Best brood Mare and Colt, diploma, P. Journal and \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best pair Matched Horses, diploma, P. Journal and \$1; 2d best, diploma and M. V. Democrat. Awarding Committee—P. G. Thomas, Plain; Lee Moore, of Center; Jas. Donaldson, Weston.

**DRAUGHT HORSES & GELDINGS.**

Best pair Draught Horses, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best Gelding or Mare for Saddle, diploma and R. N. Yorker; 2d best, diploma and Ohio Cultivator. Best Gelding or Mare for Harness, diploma and P.

Journal; 2d best, diploma and M. V. Democrat.—Awarding committee—Collister Haskins, Portage; Wm. C. Lathrop, Liberty; J. R. Traey, Plain.

**SHEEP.**

Best long wool Buck, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$1; best middle wool buck, diploma, O. Cultivator and cash \$1; best Merino buck, diploma, P. Journal and cash \$1; best Saxon buck, diploma, M. V. Democrat and cash \$1; best native or cross buck, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$1; two best Ewes, diploma, O. Cultivator and cash \$1; two 2d best, diploma and P. Journal; two 3d best, diploma and M. V. Democrat. Awarding committee—John Forest, Webster; Tobias Rudesill, Plain; H. S. Meeker, Center.

**SWINE.**

Best Boar, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best sow with 4 pigs, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Awarding committee, Cornelius Simon, Jackson; R. C. Comstock, Plain; W. C. Crothers, Portage.

**RULES APPLICABLE TO ANIMALS.**—Where there is but one exhibitor, and the animal is not worthy, no premium will be awarded. Where an animal has received one premium in a list, it will not be allowed to compete for another.

**FARMING IMPLEMENTS.**

Best Plow for general purposes, diploma; best sub-soil plow, diploma; best harrow, diploma; best cultivator, diploma; best fanning mill, diploma; best bee-hive, diploma. Awarding committee—Peter Kloffenstein, Center; Thomas Phillips, Portage; Wooster Fay, Plain.

**POULTRY.**

Best lot of Dorking, 1 cock and 2 hens, diploma; best 4 Poland do., diploma; best 3 turkeys, diploma; best 3 ducks, diploma; best and largest collection owned by one individual, O. Cultivator. Awarding committee—Theron Pike, Center; James Van Gorder, Center; Joseph Mitchell, Plain.

**PLOWING MATCH.**

At 2 o'clock p. m., October 5th, open to Ox or Horse team. For the best, diploma and R. N. Yorker; 2d best, diploma and P. Journal; 3d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Awarding committee—T. S. Carman, Montgomery; Samuel Chilcote, Perry; D. Barton, Milton.

Ground to be selected and staked off by the Vice President, when each plowman will be at liberty to plow such depth, width, and occupy such time (not more than one hour) as may suit him; and the judges will not be permitted on the ground until after the work has been performed.

**GRAIN—OPEN TO ALL.**

Best parcel of Winter Wheat, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Best parcel of Corn, diploma, R. N. Yorker and cash \$1; 2d best, diploma and M. V. Democrat. Awarding committee—D. L. Hixon, Center; John Russell, Bloom; Wm. Chapman, Montgomery.

Competitors for premiums on field crops and grain must state in writing the previous crop, if any; the kind and condition of the soil; how manured; location of the farm; the kind and quantity of seed used; time and manner of sowing and harvesting, and the actual yield by weight and measure; a detailed account of the expense and mode of cultivation. This statement to be substantiated by the affidavit of the applicant and one other credible person acquainted with the facts.

**FLOUR—OPEN TO ALL.**

Best sample, one barrel, diploma; best half barrel, diploma. Awarding committee—John Wooster, Liberty; George Warner, Washington; Henry Hood, Middleton.

**STOVES—OPEN TO ALL.**

Best Cooking Stove, diploma; 2d best, diploma; best Parlor Stove, diploma; 2d best, diploma.—Awarding committee—Hollis Fay, Center; C. S. Clark, Plain; John Johnson, Portage.

**BUTTER.**

Best lot of 10 lbs., diploma and R. N. Yorker; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Awarding committee—Jarvis Spafford, Perrysburg; Mrs. H. L. Wood, Troy; Mrs. W. V. Way, Perrysburg.

**CHEESE.**

Best Cheese, not less than 10 lbs., diploma and R. N. Yorker; 2d best, diploma and O. Cultivator. Awarding committee—W. V. Way, Mrs. G. W. Baird, and Mrs. J. W. Ross, of Perrysburg.

**BREAD AND HONEY.**

Best three loaves of Bread, diploma and M. V. Democrat; 2d best, diploma. Best three loaves of Graham bread, diploma; 2d best, diploma. Best sample of Honey in the comb, diploma and M. V. Democrat; 2d best, diploma. Awarding committee—J. N. Westcott, Mrs. Jarvis Spafford, and Mrs. E. D. Peck, of Perrysburg.

**DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES & MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES.**

Best pair of Wool Blankets, diploma and either Parlor Magazine or Mother's Magazine; 2d best, diploma and P. Mag. or M. Mag. Best 10 yards of

Carpet, diploma and P. Mag. or M. Mag.; 2d best, diploma. Best Rug, diploma; 2d best, diploma. Best Bed Quilt, diploma; best fancy quilt, diploma; best pair woolen stockings, diploma; best socks do., diploma; best mittens do., diploma; best gloves do., diploma; best cotton socks, diploma; best cotton stockings, diploma; best sample woolen yarn, diploma. Awarding committee—Julius Blinn, Perrysburg; Mrs. Nathan Moore, Center; Mrs. Rudesill, Plain.

**ORNAMENTAL NEEDLE WORK.**

Best display of Ornamental Needle Work, book; best ottoman cover, book; best variety of worsted warp, book; best lamp mats, book; best fancy needle work, book; best worked collar, book; best silk bonnet, book; best straw bonnet, book; best shell work, book; best wax flowers, book. The committee will award proportionate premiums on other articles of this class, of decided merit. Awarding committee—Mrs. David Ladd, Perrysburg; Mrs. Martin Warner, jr., Plain; Mrs. John Wooster, of Liberty.

**PLANTS AND FLOWERS.**

Greatest display of cut flowers, diploma; best display of dahlias, diploma; best hand bouquet, diploma; best round bouquet, diploma; best and most beautifully arranged basket of flowers, diploma.—Awarding committee—Miss Ruth Fay, Plain; Miss Lucinda Shively, Liberty; Miss Juliana Moore, of Center.

**CARRIAGES AND WAGONS.**

Best two-horse Wagon, diploma; 2d best, diploma; best one-horse Wagon, diploma; 2d best, diploma. Best two-horse Buggy, diploma; 2d best, diploma; best one-horse Buggy, diploma; 2d best, diploma. Awarding committee—James J. Smith, Perrysburg; Levi C. Lock, Center; J. W. Norton, Plain.

**FRUIT.**

Best variety of fall Apples, diploma and R. N. Yorker; 2d best, diploma; best do. winter Apples, diploma and O. Cultivator; 2d best, diploma. Best variety of Pears, diploma and O. Cultivator; 2d best, diploma. Best variety of Quinces, diploma and O. Cultivator; 2d best, diploma. Best collection of Grapes, diploma and O. Cultivator; 2d best, diploma. Best variety of Peaches, diploma and O. Cultivator; 2d best, diploma. Best display of fruit, diploma and O. Cultivator; 2d best, diploma.—Awarding committee—A. Bassett, Weston; A. B. Bradley, Center; G. J. Rogers, Plain.

**GARDEN VEGETABLES.**

Best lot of Cabbage, diploma; best lot of Turnips, diploma; best lot of Carrots, diploma; best lot of Beets, diploma; best lot of Parsnips, diploma; best lot of Onions, diploma; best lot of Potatoes, diploma; 2d best, diploma; best Lima Beans, diploma; best Winter Squashes, diploma; 2d best, diploma; best and largest Pumpkin, diploma; best Water Melon, diploma; best Citron, diploma; best Egg Plant, diploma; best display of Vegetables, diploma and O. Cultivator. Awarding committee—Nathan Moore, Center; Wilson Holcomb, Montgomery; Isaac Clay, Freedom.

**DISCRETIONARY COMMITTEE.**—George Mercer, of Liberty; P. McIsaac, of Middleton; A. P. Donaldson, of Weston.

**ELECTION.**

The annual election of officers of the Society will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. of the second day of the Fair. At a special meeting of the board, on the 3d of June, it was resolved to award to the township having the largest number of members, the value of ten dollars in agricultural books.

The following gentlemen were appointed by the board, to act as a committee to obtain members and collect such information as will be of interest to the Society.

- Perrysburg—S. Jefferson, James Hood.
- Middleton—Henry Hood, Henry Sarvis.
- Washington—Edwin Tuller, John Bamber.
- Weston—A. P. Donaldson, G. E. Guyer.
- Milton—Daniel Barton, Alvin Clark.
- Jackson—J. B. Dunn, John Dubbs.
- Henry—W. W. Wiley, Jackson Wallace.
- Bloom—Edwin Gorton, John Russell.
- Liberty—Lewis H. Cass, John Wooster.
- Center—A. B. Bradley, Peter Kloffenstein.
- Portage—Joseph Clark, Samuel Johnson.
- Webster—John Fenton, jr., George Kellogg.
- Troy—H. L. Wood, Thomas Gorrill.
- Lake—John Laferry, Isaac Allen.
- Montgomery—Wilson Holcomb, Wm. Chapman.
- Perry—Samuel Chilcote, J. G. Willard.
- Plain—J. W. Norton, Elijah Elliott.
- Freedom—James Pember, H. A. Harns.

- MARTIN WARNER, President.
  - S. W. ST. JOHN, Vice President.
  - GEO. POWERS, Rec. Secretary.
  - E. ELLIOTT, Cor. Secretary.
  - JOHN BATES, Treasurer.
  - THOMAS S. CARMAN,
  - HENRY POWERS,
  - GEORGE WILLIAMS,
  - A. BASSETT,
  - JOHN FAY,
- } Managers.

The Northern States are represented in Congress by thirty-two Senators and one hundred and thirty-five members of the House; the Southern by thirty Senators and ninety members of the House.