

THE GREAT FAIR.

Minnesota's Annual Exhibition Successfully Opens on the New State Fair Grounds.

With the Largest Showing of Live Stock and Other Products of the State Ever Made.

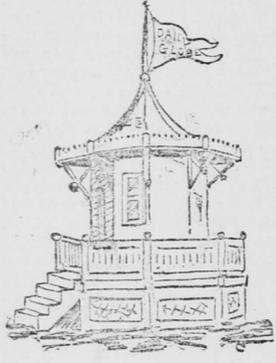
The Dairy, the House and the Machinery Departments Especially Well Represented.

Magnificent Exhibitions of Many Wares Fill up the Great Main Building.

A Good Attendance and Interesting Races For the First Day--Today's Program.

It Opened on Time.

"You can't tell anything by the first day, anyhow," was the first remark of about everybody yesterday when they alighted from the train at the fair grounds, walked over the two-hundred-acre fair grounds, and



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because it wasn't black with the visiting populace, jumped at the conclusion that nobody had come up to see the much talked of fair. If the remark was indicative of any disappointment, it was nevertheless true, and that fact in connection with the unusual amount of preparation that was to be done when the first day dawned, led the managers to feel comparatively well satisfied with the showing of the opening day. While the buildings were completed according to schedule, the track in fine condition, the details all arranged apparently, still there was a vast amount of work to do before the order and dignity that should prevail at a Minnesota fair could be made apparent. But the management was on hand early and the state fair was opened to the public at the hour named. The management expresses itself satisfied with the attendance the first day and is in high spirits over the exhibits. The secretary said last night that the stock exhibit was already fully twice as large as was ever seen at any of the Minnesota state fairs and a little more would come in today, and was just as much pleased with the showing in other lines.

Great work the managers of the association have done during the past three months, and one doesn't get an adequate idea of it until he has gone through the main building, then over around the machinery hall, up to the amphitheater, down past the numerous booths and side shows, over among the stables for the trotters and thence through the rows of stock barns, stopping to branch off to a half a hundred minor attractions

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The Races. The great big grand stand looked rather lonesome yesterday with the few hundred people that assembled therein to see the racing. As this was the first day of the racing not much was expected of it, all the classes being slow ones. Good time was made, however, and every horse whose time was taken, especially the upper portion of it, is fifty or seventy-five feet away from the track. The arrangements for the press were conceived in sin and born in iniquity, but this will be remedied to-day. The judges and timekeepers instead of being in one building are in two little crow's nests on each side of the track the wire running between them. There is one very bad thing about the track which will have to be remedied another year. In order to make the level it was necessary to run it through a deep cut extending from the half almost to the three-quarter pole. This part of the track is about twenty feet below the range of observation of visitors from the stand, and on arriving there they find themselves exchanging looks from each other's backs and discuss the weather and "fix" the race without exciting anything more than a mild wonder on the part of the would-be spectators as to the cause of the delay. Of course there is no objection.

stationed there to see that everything is fair, but people that see and bet on horse races are apt to want to view the whole proceedings. It will be a work of some expense and trouble to take away this objection at all, but it must be done. It is hoped that the management will take kindly also the suggestion that signs be painted and hung at the different entrances to the stand to show the ticket holders in every respect to any other in the Northwest. This is an important matter, for owners of good horses will never be satisfied with their performances at Rochester, Minneapolis or on other inferior tracks while knowing that there is still a better track easy of access where two or three seconds better can be made. This track has already proved a great attraction, and for several weeks, ever since it was completed, from 25 to 150 horses have been housed in the stables and worked on it daily. It will be even better next year than this, and with so good a track and so large a public, easy of access, it is not a preposterous hope that within a year the state fair grounds may be included in one of the prominent racing circuits of the country. In fact, this is already talked of. It is known that between Chicago and St. Louis meetings, in the Western circuit, there are two open weeks which might be put in at this place with profit to the horse owners and pleasure to the spectators.

The races were called on this yesterday and were conducted throughout with a gratifying promptness and strictness that augur well for the success of the meeting. The starting judge, W. A. Wilson of Cynthia, evidently knows his business, he calls up the horses on time, and any appearance of an attempt on the part of the drivers to jockey the race he treats with stern discipline. Owing largely to his efforts, although there were six starters in even better next year than this, and with two false starts before the field got away. There were not as many of him as there will be to-morrow, still he was there. The exhibition of side shows and the booths was very complete yesterday, and the enterprise in this direction was so great that if there isn't a big crowd at the grounds during the week there'll be a whole army of bankrupt bootleggers. These bootleggers have, as the state fair with the bruiser side down that they had some centuries ago, and it was possible here to buy a nickel cigar for fifteen cents just as often as it used to be. But at the same time everybody took to these places just as naturally as they used to, and it would have

been a bad omen for the success of the fair if they hadn't. The young man with the city clothes created just as big a sen-



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sation as he seemed to be when the pure Durham calf mistook his legs for a couple of straws, and tried to eat them as usual, and the farmers that knew how to handle calves laughed just as hard.

Altogether, the first day cannot be regarded in any other light than a successful



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Second Heat—The start was made after the first score, but Murphy broke soon after leaving the wire. Fred D. Ida and Silvernail competed for first place to the quarter. Fred D. Ida increased his lead, and reached the half-mile, Ida second and Dr. Smith third. On the home stretch Ida was pocketed by Smith and Fred, the latter winning, Smith next, Western Maid third. Time, 2:32 1/2.

Third Heat—In this heat there was a fair start, Cricket a little in the lead, closely pushed by Brick. Thomas followed and Isis broke early in the heat, falling hopelessly in the rear. At the quarter Cricket was four or five behind Isis, and Brick and Cricket, each gaining a small and brief advantage alternately. As they went out of sight Brick began to lead, and when they came in vision again it was evident that he had been doing good trotting for he was in the lead, and he was closely pushed by Isis, finishing second. Cricket last. Time, 2:30 1/2.

Fourth Heat—Fred D. Ida, closely followed by Western Maid, Ida R. Silvernail and Dr. Smith, in which order they passed the quarter. The only incident of the heat was that Ida R. broke and fell clear to the rear, taking last place at the finish. Fred D. held his advantage to the end and finished a nose ahead in the opinion of everybody except the judges, who made it a dead heat between him and Dr. Smith, with Western Maid third, Silvernail fourth and Murphy fifth. Time, 2:32 1/2.

Fifth Heat—The horses started together, but Fred D. took the lead before the turn, which he did not relinquish. Western Maid followed, pushed strongly by Dr. Smith, however, fell back to fourth place. Murphy led last, took his place in that order, Silvernail and Ida R. at the rear. The race was given to Fred D. second money to Ida R. third to Dr. Smith, fourth to Western Maid. Time of the last heat, 2:33.

The three-minute class was an interesting one. The favorite was King of the West, who was ridden by a very good driver in private. His driver seemed to pull him back, however, at least that was the way it appeared to those who had bet on him, and King Sibley won the race in straight heats. The first heat, Western Maid led at the start, with King Sibley second, and King of the West third. King Sibley regained his feet and pushed through the crowd to first place and led at the quarter post by a length. Barden second, King of the West third and White fourth at the end of the race. King of the West, but out of the cut Barden opened a length between them. On the home stretch the three leaders were Sibley, Barden and White, who came in that order. King of the West fourth and Western Boy and Kate M. last. Time, 2:32 1/2.

Second Heat—Before the quarter pole was reached the horses ranged themselves in the following order: King of the West, Gen. Sibley, Belle Barden, Col. White, which was unchanged until just before the close. King of the West had a good lead and was a sure winner, but the driver gave him a lash that sent him off his feet before the distance and the wire, which lost him the heat, although he took the second place. Time, 2:32.

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The Cattle Exhibit. The cattle department of the stock exhibit excels by far anything ever before attempted in the state. There are over 500 animals in this department, and the character and value of them all is much above the average seen at state fairs. In number the Holstein strain outranks any other breed, there being something over 200 of them in the cattle stables. In point of number the Shorthorn Durhams come next and constitute a very fine exhibit. President and Mrs. Pollock have secured the greatest attention, and is a most magnificent display of this celebrated Scotch stock. The balance of the stock exhibit is about evenly divided between Devonshires, Jerseys and Galloways. The latter very much outnumber the other breeds, and probably half of the visitors at the stock barns will make this mistake unless a keeper is handy to point out the differences. There are fifty-eight exhibitors of prize cattle, besides the sheep and hogs, which are not very large in numbers but are extremely creditable. The four large cattle barns are completely filled, and an overflow of some twenty-five head has found accommodation in a shed only lately erected for the purpose. The large number of Holsteins among this class of entries is significant, when it is remembered that seven years ago there was not an animal of this breed in the state. For all general purposes the Holstein is being bred in this country, and probably they combine the beauties of all the best milkers and butter cows, while the larger frame and fine bones make a splendid basis for beef cattle.

A BRIEF REVIEW. The exhibited and the name of the exhibitors will be found of interest. The first exhibit in Stable A is by the Minnesota Agricultural company of Minneapolis, which comprises sixteen head of native bred short horn Durhams, the principal animal in this exhibit is the bull, "Fidget Hillstar," bred by the same exhibitor, 500 pounds, and is valued at \$5,000. He was bred in Canada. Another bull is the imported "Oxford Geneva," ten-years-old and weighs 2,300, and nine years ago at the centennial in Philadelphia, took the first prize. N. P. Clark of St. Cloud has three yearling short horns that are choice specimens, one, "Gerard Duke," is a beauty and weighs 1,500 pounds. Mr. Clark would have had thirty head on exhibition had there been room, but he did not wish to take up space that could be disposed of to prize stock, as his cattle are not entered for premiums but simply for exhibition. Shepherd, Hill & Mathers of Jacksonville, Ill., exhibit a number of fine Durhams, the most notable of which is Bon Trump, an imported Cruikshank bull from Scotland, 3 years old, and weighs 7,500 pounds; Airshire Sharon is 4 years old and weighs 2,200 pounds. This herd averages 2,000 pounds apiece and is worthy the Durham fancier. The Lake Park herd, by T. H. Canfield, consists of thirty-four head, fourteen thoroughbreds and twelve grades. Pink's Duke is an eight-year-old bull, and though he is now just out of pasture, presents a very fine appearance, and weighs 2,400 pounds. Earl the Second is another notable animal of this herd and weighs 2,200 pounds. J. J. Hill. He has fifty-two head of choice stock from his Northforks farm in Stable A, and his stalls attract much attention. The herd includes eighteen Polled Angus, twenty-five Short-horns, five Grades and four Jerseys. Most of these animals are imported, and Mr. Hill's exhibition is a very fine one. The Northforks farm, by T. H. Canfield, consists of thirty-four head, fourteen thoroughbreds and twelve grades. Pink's Duke is an eight-year-old bull, and though he is now just out of pasture, presents a very fine appearance, and weighs 2,400 pounds. Earl the Second is another notable animal of this herd and weighs 2,200 pounds. J. J. Hill. He has fifty-two head of choice stock from his Northforks farm in Stable A, and his stalls attract much attention. The herd includes eighteen Polled Angus, twenty-five Short-horns, five Grades and four Jerseys. Most of these animals are imported, and Mr. Hill's exhibition is a very fine one.

ers' association of Benson, Minn., has eighteen Holsteins, all thoroughbreds, that make a handsome and creditable showing. De Watergens is the breeder of the herd.

OTHER HERDS. Samuel Chapman of Illinois has thirty-nine Holsteins and boasts of one of the largest single exhibits in the stables. N. J. Leavitt of Morrisstown, N. J., has nineteen head of Holsteins, and points with pride to his Pride of the West; a two-year-old bull that weighs 1,800 pounds. He has also a fine specimen of a Jersey bull, a two-year-old bull, and a two-year-old cow, both of which have won first prizes and may be seen in Stable B. E. F. Irwin of Richfield, Minn., has samples of Short-horns and Holsteins from his Wood Lake herd. F. B. Lambert of Leroy, Minn., has twenty-five Holsteins in Stable C. H. Hartung of Rochester, Minn., has twenty-five Holstein-Friesians, among which is Wyarda, a two-year-old cow, with a milk record of fifty pounds per day. A. V. Allen of Austin is the first importer of Holsteins to this country, and he exhibits nine full bloods, and the fine Daniel Deronda. Gwendolen was not on exhibition. A. T. Stebbins of the Badger Run stock farm, Rochester, has nine Short-horns and five Jerseys. Dr. Emrick of Chicago has twenty Holsteins on exhibition. A. H. and G. S. Bicknell of this state have a very fine private herd of Jerseys on exhibition at Stable C. Foster and J. Plainville have entered twenty head of Jerseys, including the fine bull, Czar of Lennox. P. D. Brockway of Rochester, Minn., has sixteen full-blooded Jerseys entered.

The Horse Display. No one who has the interests of the Northwest at heart can fail to feel delight at the tangible evidences given at the fair grounds that Minnesota farmers are improving the character of their horses. As has been stated before, it is one of the best evidences of the prosperity of an agricultural community that the height of lovers of the breed and stock are steadily improving in quality. A farmer ordinarily gets the best of everything else before he starts to improve the breeding of his draft animals. It is curious, too, that this should be so, when it is considered that the service of high grade stallion costs but \$25 or \$50 more than that of a mongrel, but adds \$100 or more to the value of the get when ready for work. The horse-breeders of the Northwest are turning more and more to Minnesota as a market for their best animals, and there are several who have large strings on exhibition here who have never exhibited in the Northwest before. One of these is the Moffatt Bros. of Paw Paw, Ill., who are among the first importers and breeders of Clyde horses in the country. They are represented at the fair with twelve head, some of which are imported from England, some sleek coats and heavy built and of the height of lovers of heavy horseflesh. The Raeside Bros. of Waukegan, Ill., another heavy importing firm of Clydesdale horses, have sixteen on exhibition, a large number of which are imported. The other heavy breed of horses, the Norman Percherons, is well represented by their head exhibited by George E. Case & Co. of St. Peter. All of them except a few yearling colts are imported, and ten of them carry over the imported stallion. Brilliant, is one of the heaviest horses on the grounds and weighs 3,200 pounds. T. D. Delaney of Northfield also shows a full-blooded Norman stallion, Prince Imperial, weight 2,170 pounds, with three other heavy horses, and a pair of heavy horses also should be noticed the seven head belonging to Galbraith Bros. of Jameville, Wis., also with three English Shire horses. W. McNair of Minneapolis, exhibits sixteen head of horses, of which there are thoroughbred runners, two Normans, three Shetland ponies and one grade Norman mare. The Cosgrove Live Stock company of Le Sueur, Minn., exhibit a number of fine horses, among which are Frank a Norman stallion, also a number of trotting sires and mares. A. Post of Faribault shows the fine young stallion Volunteer chief, with two other colts. H. G. Fink of Moorhead has also his string on exhibition, which will be sold on Friday morning. Leonard Johnson of East Castle Rock has an exhibit of ten head of horses, all Percherons except three, and a pair of Shire, the whole being imported with one exception. E. P. Ratan of Heron Lake displays a stallion, Volunteer Patchen, and a number of fine specimens of trotting stock. John Bradford of Big Lake, a breeder of thoroughbreds, exhibits three stallions and a mare or two. P. W. Faine of Hutchinson has four horses, trotting bred, one of them, Callona, being quite a new import, being sire, being the father of Captain of St. Paul. Fred B. Close of Pipestone has also a string of thoroughbreds, including Elsham, St. Andrew, John Campbell and Skillery Maid. C. Vangin of Minneapolis shows two saddle horses, Kentucky bred, which he says can each show a fabulous number of saddle gaits, and Mrs. G. B. Eustis, also of Minneapolis, exhibits a remarkably fine saddle horse. A French coach horse, owned by W. D. Washburn of Minneapolis.

The Dairy Department. Superintendent Potter was on hand early yesterday, giving the finishing touches to the dairy building, assigning space, receiving entries and answering questions. By this morning this department will be in good shape, and visitors will be delighted with the perfect arrangements and the fine large display of butter, cheese, dairy implements and salt. Usually at fairs, but poor accommodations have been provided for the exhibition of butter and cheese, and as a rule, after these articles have been on exhibition for a few days they deteriorate in value, and consequently owners of these articles have been rather slow in showing their goods. This objection has been overcome by the managers of the state fair, who have provided in the dairy building a commodious refrigerator where butter and cheese can be displayed to good advantage, and at the same time be kept in good condition. Every butter-maker who exhibits at the fair will appreciate this, and will know that their goods will be well cared for. Refrigeration has become a necessity for the preservation of butter, not only while it remains in the creamery, but also while in transit to the markets, and for this latter purpose transportation companies have been organized, which guarantee to deliver the goods in the most distant markets of our country in as good condition as when received by them. By this means Minnesota butter can be sent to New York, Boston or elsewhere and compete with that made within a few miles of those cities, and by the same means butter is sent to New Orleans and other Southern cities, where it arrives in excellent shape. Through the instrumentality of these refrigerator companies it has become possible for the dairy farmer and the creamery man in Minnesota to send his butter to any market he may select, knowing that it will not be spoiled while in transit. The refrigerator in the dairy building is so arranged that visitors can see the exhibits through the windows without going inside. The temperature is kept down to about 40° or perhaps lower, which insures the safety of the butter.

THE ROLL OF HONOR. On entering the dairy building one is confronted with the roll of honor, which tells of the magnificent achievement of Minnesota at the World's Exposition at New Orleans last winter. This roll is, or should be, the pride of every citizen of the state, for it was no small victory to win in competition with the dairy of every other state, and dairy