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Chatham Fair!

Columbia County's Exposition--Excellent Live Stock Exhibit.

Big Bunch of Good Horses--The attractions on the Stage are Excellent and Superior to Past Years--The Awards in Sheep and Swine.

Another big Chatham fair is in progress. It was that usual first day weather, cloudy and showery in appearance and then bursts of sunshine. It was the average first day crowd and a decidedly favorable opening of a big and successful fair. To-day is a damper because of rain, but Thursday will witness the big floral parade. There are good track events every day.

Farm Produce.
This department was filling rapidly yesterday afternoon and this morning there was a good showing of fruit, vegetables and various kinds of farm produce. The showing of apples and pears was particularly good one considering the present year's scarcity. A feature this year, as in former years, is the potato exhibit of E. B. Peterson of Spencer town, who shows a number of varieties of tubers of various sizes. Alex. Sitzer of Valatie also has a number of entries here also. E. Maaten of Washington Hollow, N. Y.

Flowers.
In Floral Hall exhibits were being placed all day yesterday and this morning it is an attractive, fragrant spot. The showing is a good one. The miniature landscape views constitute a very pleasing feature of this department. There are several of them, one having been manufactured by Fred Coon of Chatham showing a house, lawn, walks, lakes, fountain, etc. Mrs. J. H. Ostrander of Chatham shows a miniature garden with rustic summer house, cottages, etc., also the representation of a summer camp, other exhibits show miniature log cabins with appropriate surroundings, etc., etc.

The showing of seeds and grasses is a good one. In the building formerly used for the dog show is the exhibit of gladioli by Arthur Coover of Berlin, owner of the largest farm in the world devoted to the culture of these flowers. The exhibit is one that attracts much attention as it is new to this fair and the showing is a beautiful one, the flowers being attractively arranged. With this exhibit has also been placed the plant exhibits as there is not sufficient room for their accommodation in Floral Hall.

Exhibition Hall.
This large building was the scene of great activity yesterday. Superintendents and helpers were hurrying about in an effort to properly arrange the exhibits for the easy inspection of the crowds. The exhibit of school work in an unusually large one and additional space is devoted to its accommodation this year. The Hickman Furniture Co. of Chatham have an exhibit of fine furniture and J. T. Rider of Hudson has his usual space for pianos and has some of the leading makes on exhibition. There is also the usual number of booths and stands from which souvenires and other articles are sold. The building will be filled about 40 days, to-morrow will be thronged with the crowds of eager spectators. The culinary and art departments will be particularly well filled and attractive to the ladies. It required the entire day yesterday for the art department superintendent and a number of assistants to hang the pictures to their best advantage.

Poultry Department.
In the department of fowls and chickens and ducks every coop is filled and there is an overflow meeting in a tent on the outside. There are some very fine birds on exhibition, a number of which are bred by Columbia County poultry men to meet the percentage of Colum-

bia county exhibitors here is larger than at some of the former fairs. In the special classes in the poultry department are entered Black Orpingtons, Columbian Wyandottes, Dominique-Bantams, White Orpingtons, Buff-Burmese-Bantams, Black Booted-Bantams, Columbian Rose Combed Bantams and a dozen or more special entries of pigeons. Some of the principal exhibitors are W. P. Pratt, Chatham; J. C. Wolven, Mellenville; Jonas Hayner, Livingston; O. O. Benson, Wassail; Sarah Howes, East Chatham; Chester Ford, Red Rock; P. F. Harder, Philmont; E. E. Plentz, Johnstown; Bay Minshell, Niverville; G. T. Pulver, Hudson; Irving Pulver, Hudson; Mrs. O. L. Huested, Nassau; F. Anderson, Hollowville; T. M. Cullen, Pittsfield, Mass.

Horse Department.
In the horse department there are 68 entries and some excellent specimens of horseflesh are on exhibition. The following are some of those by whom entries were made: E. C. Pierce, Chatham; Randall Hoxsle, Ghent; Norman New, Hudson; L. J. Harris, Valatie; Philip Bartlett, Mellenville; Arthur J. Raup, Ghent; C. A. Knapp, Chatham; C. S. Ashley, Old Chatham; I. L. Irish, Nassau; Chas. R. Sawyer, Hillsdale; J. Powell, Ghent; W. H. Angell, Ghent; John Westover, Ghent; Geo. McLellan, Chatham; Chas. Stever, East Chatham; Elisha Clark, Ghent; M. C. Sawyer, Hillsdale; Thos. Buckley, Chatham; J. B. Jones, Ghent; Sylvester Drey, Valatie; Harvey Miller, Mellenville; Wm. C. Oona, Chatham; John George, Ghent; S. B. Smith, East Chatham; J. B. Van Alstyne, Kinderhook; J. B. Sinclair, Chatham; Boss Bain, Chatham; Wm. Krick, Ghent.

On account of rain this morning the horse awards and parade will not be made until Friday morning.

Sheep.
In this department the showing was a good one and competent judges pronounce the showing a most excellent one. The judge here, as in the cattle and swine departments, was the Hon. J. J. Bashford of Hollowville, who has awarded the prizes in these departments for several years. The prize winners are as follows:

Cotswolds.—W. L. Scribner, Schoharie, 1 on flock, 1-year buck; 2 ewes, yearling ewes, ewe lambs; 2d on 2-year buck, buck lamb; C. B. Pratt, Chatham, 2d on two ewes, ewe lambs.

Southdowns.—A. J. Karker, Cobleskill, all firsts except two ewes, 2d on two ewes; Pratt, 1 on two ewes, second on flock, 1-year buck, buck lamb, yearling ewe, J. C. Cottrell, Hoosick Falls, 2d on 2-year buck, ewe lamb.

American Merino.—Cottrell, all firsts and seconds.
Delaine Merinos.—J. F. Jones, Claverack, first on flock, 2-yr buck, 2 ewes, yearling ewes, ewe lambs; second on buck lamb. Cottrell first on 1-year buck, second on 2-year buck; yearling ewe, W. M. Lamoree, Chatham first on buck lamb, 2d on flock, two ewes, lambs; Jones 2d on yearling buck; Lamoree also won all the firsts and seconds on Ramboulls.

Cheyloits.—B. H. Sheldon, West Oneonta, all firsts, second on 1-year buck, yearling buck, ewe, ewe lambs; M. S. Myers, Barnertsville, N. Y., second on flock, buck lamb; J. C. Cottrell, Hoosick Falls, 1st on flock, 1-year buck, 2-year buck, second on buck lamb, ewe, yearling ewe, ewe lambs; C. B. Pratt, 2d on 2-year buck, 1-year buck.

Oxford Down.—Pratt, 1st on flock, 2-year buck, yearling buck, ewe, ewe lambs; second on buck lamb, ewe lambs; Jones, 1st on buck lamb, 2-year buck, second on flock, 2-year buck, yearling buck, ewe, yearling ewe.

Hampshire Down.—Joel Harris, Chatham, all firsts except yearling ewe, 2d on yearling ewe; Pratt, 1st on second except yearling ewe, 1st on yearling ewe.

Shropshire Down.—All firsts and seconds to Colbert Brothers, also all firsts and seconds to Colbert Bros. of Horned Doves.

On all but yearling ewes, first on yearling ewe.
Suffolk.—All firsts to Karker, all seconds to Holiday except buck lamb, 2d on buck lamb to F. N. Terpening, West Oneonta.

Angora Goats.—All firsts to W. L. Scribner, Schoharie, except ewe lambs; 2d on ewe lambs, flock, 1-year buck; Jesse F. Snow, West Stephentown, 1st on two ewe lambs, second on 2-year buck, buck lamb, two ewes.

Coarse Wool Grades.—All firsts except ewe lambs to Colbert Brothers, who also won second on buck lamb, ewe lambs; Jones second on flock, two ewes, 2-yearling ewes; Cottrell second on buck lamb.

Fine Wool Grades.—Jones 1st on flock, buck lamb, second on ewe lambs; J. A. Karker, Cobleskill, 1st on 1-year buck, 2 ewes, 2d on two ewes; Lamoree 1st on 2 ewes, ewe lambs, 2d on 2-year buck, two ewes.

Highland Sheep.—Special first and seconds awarded to Wallace Ashley, Chatham, and on Black Sheep to B. H. Sheldon, West Oneonta.

Cattle Department.
In the cattle department there are more entries than last year. The little Kerry cattle are, as usual, receiving more than their share of attention and admiration.

The following are the exhibitors in this department:

N. Turner, Gt. Barrington, Mass., Devons, Shorthorns, Holsteins, Grades, Grade Jerseys.
Fredrick Abbey, Gt. Barrington, Shorthorns, Steers and Oxen.

John A. Jackson & Son, Mineral Spa, N. Y., Aberdeen Angus and Galloways.

Cottrell Bros. Hoosick Falls, Shorthorns.
E. H. Wetherbee, Chatham, Highland Scots and Jersey Steers and Oxen.

B. H. Sheldon, West Oneonta, Jerseys.
A. D. Arnold, Pawling, Red Polled.

Morgan Myers, Cobleskill, Red Polled.
H. S. Ambler, Onatham, Kerry's, F. N. Terpening, West Oneonta, Kerry's.

Dr. J. T. Wheeler, E. B. Peterson, H. I. Skinkle, Chatham, Grade Jerseys.

Beef Grades, Turner, Cottrell Bros., J. J. Van Deusen, H. Van Slyke, Chatham.
Mrs. Peter Bain, Chatham, working oxen.

There is a total of 162 head.

Swine Awards.
This department was not quite so well filled as usual but the display was good in quality. The awards were placed as follows.

C. B. Pratt, of Chatham, all firsts but one on Cheshires, all firsts on Jersey Reds, first on Poland China breeding sow, second on Jersey Red breeding sow.

E. H. Wetherbee, Chatham, all firsts and seconds on Berkshires.
F. N. Terpening, Oneonta, one first and second, Essex, four firsts and one second on Suffolk swine.

F. Jones, Claverack, first on yearling Cheshire boar, and yearling sow.
Colbert Brothers, New Concord, four firsts, one second on Cheshire boar under one year.

Wallace Ashley, Chatham, all firsts on Yorkshires, and Tamworths.
H. I. Skinkle, Chatham, first on grade yearling sow, litter.

Bradley Pettit, Chatham Centre, first on grade breeding sow.
H. Steuward, Chatham, all firsts and seconds on small breed grades.

The Fair.
Fairs thicker than ever and twice as noisy. If you can't get rid of a day's wages going down through it, you will be exceeding strange and if you can't get dim on a merry-go-round, try the Ferris Wheel.

It is with pleasure that we announce the decided improvement in the attractions between here and front of the grand stand this year. This is a decided joy for both in war and peace and the Japanese jugglers and performers are certainly masters of the profession.

The ponies and trained dogs are wonderfully trained and the grand standards were really interesting and entertaining.

Summer Exhibits.
Bailey & Tracy of Chatham have on the grounds a large exhibit of the various wares in which they

deal. Their showing includes a large collection of wagons, carriages, etc., in the former dog building and on the outside they show lumber wagons, plows, harrows, drills, cultivators and various other farm tools and implements. In some instances the manufacturers of the tools and machinery have sent their representatives here to demonstrate their value.

The Races.
There was only one race yesterday afternoon, the 2-45 class which had 25 entries but only six lined up at the start. It might have been more exciting, as it was of the one, two, three order. The summary follows:

Dick Letcher,	1	1	1
Moody,	2	2	2
Ross Martin,	3	3	4
Paul Adair,	5	4	3
March Girl,	4	6	5
Matie T.,	6	5	dr

Time, 2:24; 2:23; 2:25.
The starter is Geo. H. Mills and the judges were C. Whitbeck, John Dinehart, J. P. Mickle while Dr. Van Ness watched the clock.

Fairlets.
It's a good fair.
Seventy-five entries in the floral parade.

Never saw so many fairs on the grounds.
The gate and grand stand receipts yesterday were about \$150.

The officers are all wearing "the smile that won't come off."
Well, it isn't very dusty anyway. The St. James society invite all to dinner.

Many of those who will participate in to-morrow's floral parade will also be in the procession at Nassau. The fakir who attempts to run a little gambling game as a side issue will be escorted to the fair ground exit.

We sort o' miss the Berlin bandsmen with their red coats and spid and span white duck pants. A good lot of fellows, those Berlin boys.

Doring gives some good music but the Philmont and Ghent bands have been reinforced for the occasion and are not occupying seats in the extreme rear. The latter are a pair of good country bands.

The race track is like a sieve and it takes a cloud burst to keep any water on it. Consequently when horses might be stuck fast in the mud on the Hudson track they're trotting fast in Chatham.

John Streeter, formerly editor of the Republican, has been doing service for the society in preparing their advertising matter, assisting with the recording of entries and doing various other useful things.

Both the Hudson River and co-operative telephones have been placed in the officers' building at the main entrance and will remain there during the fair. They're a great convenience.

W. B. Daley, superintendent of privileges, was a busy man Monday and yesterday, allotting the "fakirs their locations on the "midway" and he will be still busier to-morrow and Friday collecting the attendants.

"Will" Dardess makes an ideal secretary. He's been at it for some time now and thoroughly knows the ropes. When it comes to doing two dozen things at once, and preserving a perfect equanimity, he is "there with the goods" as the poet says.

The Bushnell avenue entrance has been widened. The float entered by the Chatham Camp of Modern Woodmen will be a big fellow and needed more room in order to get into the grounds. Good idea. There's been many a tight squeeze there in former years.

"Uncle William" Shaver in his 92d year is on the grounds every day, wearing his flaming red "Police" badge. He's worn it a good many years. "Uncle William" can clear a crowded doorway or congregate aisle as easily as he did 40 years ago. May he live to see many more fairs.

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President Roosevelt Under Water.

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REAL ESTATE NEWS.

Transfers Recently Recorded in the County Clerk's Office.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded at the County Clerk's office since last reported:

Harry B. Laue, et al., to William M. Burrough, 1-1/2 acres of land, Canaan, \$100.

Edwin D. Howe, referee, to Bertha Hagedorn, parcel of land in Valatie, \$400.

Catherine A. Tompkins to John H. Jessup, property in Hudson, \$2,900.

Harold Wilson, Jr., referee, to Elizabeth M. Silsby, 1-4 of an acre of land, Germantown, \$1,000. Elizabeth M. Silsby to Walter Miller, Jr., same property, \$1,000.

Truman Stupplebeen to Mattie C. McNamee, parcel of land in Ghent, \$325.

Edgar Washburn, et al., to John Perlee, 1 acre of land, Livingston, \$35.

Asa H. Arnold to Harmon H. Mellus and Perry C. Mellius, 1-2 acre of land, Anoram, \$100.

Harmon H. Mellius, Jr., and Perry C. Mellius to Charles Burch, same property, \$100.

Mildred May Clum to Michael H. Feeley, house and lot in Stockport, \$500.

Richard Perkins Mitchell, et al., to Thaddeus K. Mitchell, 126 acres of land in the town of Copake, \$2,000.

Mary Ellsworth, et al., to Edward P. Kirby, 160 acres of land, Canaan, \$4,950.

Milton Peters, et al., to Ida E. Stackman, parcel of land in Stuyvesant, \$800.

Aida Terwilliger, to Frank Lavine, land in Hudson, \$1,650.

Fire Near Pine Plains.
A large barn belonging to John S. Niver, near Pine Plains, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground Thursday afternoon with all its contents, including five horses and all his hay and grain, farm machinery, wagons and harness. The loss will be \$5,000 or \$6,000, partially insured in the Grange Insurance Co. Members of the family were in the house when the bolt of fire struck the barn and immediately rushed out to save the horses. They found the interior of the building a mass of flames. One of the horses was gotten out, but in its excitement ran back into the barn and was burned to death with the others.

Nearing Pittsfield.
The telephone linemen who are at work setting poles and stringing wires for the New England telephone company's through line from Albany to Springfield, via Hancock and Pittsfield have the poles set as far as Churchill street in the North woods and the wires have been strung as far as the foot of Potter mountain on the Hancock side. The 75 linemen are now in camp in the meadow near Churchill street. —Eagle.

National Head of Shakers.
It is understood that Elder Joseph Holden of the West Pittsfield Shakers, who is seriously ill, is head of all of the Shaker settlements in this country. Elder Holden recently succeeded the late Elder Ira Lawson, whose death occurred this spring. —Eagle.

Toothpick Caused Death.
George C. Corsiglia, aged 31 years, died Sunday at the North Adams hospital, where he was operated on Friday night for appendicitis. The doctors who performed the operation found a piece of toothpick in the appendix, and are convinced that this was the cause of the young man's sickness and death.

Electric Park.
"Dida", the great mystery act, is attracting a great deal of attention at Electric park this week. The act is indeed a baffler in well worth seeing. A glass tank resting on a table, is filled with water by attendants who use pails, and a cloth is then thrown over the tank. A minute later it is whirled away and "Dida" is seen reposing peacefully in a watery berth. She comes forth and then to the amazement of the audience "Dida" is seen in the tank. This act has puzzled thousands and is the crown of mystery of the act. No one should fail to see it. All the other acts on the program are also the best of their kind.

Peace Assured!

Japan Yields Practically Everything to Russia.

No Indemnity to be Paid--Russia to get the Interned Ships and Half of Sakhalin Island--Naval Power Not to be Restricted in the Far East--Great Diplomatic Victory for M. Witte--Why Japs are Satisfied.

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 29--Peace between Russia and Japan was practically concluded at this morning's session of the conference. In the final struggle the Russians are accorded the victory. For the sake of peace the Japanese, with a magnanimity worthy of their heroic efforts in this war, met the ultimatum of the Czar and abandoned their demands not only for reimbursement for the cost of the war, but for the repurchase of the northern half of Sakhalin. Russia at the same time agreeing to division of the island.

The Japanese also withdrew articles ten and eleven of the peace conditions originally proposed, demand for the surrender of the interned warships and limitation of the Russian naval power in the Far East. The delegates of the respective missions will be called in at the afternoon session and the actual work of formulating the treaty of peace will begin. The news that peace had been agreed upon caused the most intense excitement at the hotel where the envoys have been staying. Everywhere there was a delirium of jubilation.

An armistice probably will be arranged for this afternoon.

The treaty is expected to be completed by the end of the week. This happy conclusion of the conference which a week ago would have been ship-wrecked had it not been for the intercession of President Roosevelt, was sudden and dramatic. For the sake of peace, Japan with the magnanimity of a victor at the last moment yielded everything still in issue.

The Japanese View.
Despite the fact that neither of the Japanese plenipotentiaries would talk for publication, however, the Associated Press can present their line of reasoning in the words of another: "The Russians may call it a diplomatic victory, but we are confident that upon calm consideration, the world will applaud our course. To yield upon the question of our demand for the expenses of the war was the only road to peace. We had attained the objects of the war. We had established our pre-eminence in Korea. We had obtained the leases to Port Arthur and the adjacent territory; we had obtained the Chinese Eastern railroad and the evacuation of Manchuria. We have even obtained important fishing rights along the Russian littoral. These covered the objects of the war, which we have kept steadily in view for nineteen months of bloody fighting. Those objects insured the resumption of the great work of peace we had planned.

FIRE THIS MORNING.
Barns of Supervisor Palmer Burned at Canaan.

Lightning struck and burned two barns, located on the Schilling hill farm belonging to Supervisor W. H. Palmer of Canaan, at 10:30 o'clock this morning. The contents consisted of about 20 tons of hay. The loss will be about \$500 insured for \$550 in the Canaan Insurance Co. company.

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To Expend \$170,000 at Malone, N. Y.
The New York Central is making arrangements to greatly enlarge its car shops in Malone now that the road has acquired the Rutland railroad and New York and Ottawa railroad. The projected improvements include a large addition to the wood-working and painting departments at an estimated cost of \$170,000.

Sudden Death in Hillsdale.
Coroner Conklin of Hillsdale, in holding an inquest as to the death of Sarah Ward, aged 70, wife of William Ward of Hillsdale, who was found dead in the barn Monday morning in a sitting posture with her lap full of eggs. Besides her husband she