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## PREMIUM LIST

—OF THE—

## LINN COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION,

—TO BE AWARDED AT—

## THE FOURTH ANNUAL FAIR,

*To be held at the Fair Grounds, one mile South of Albany, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 28th, 29th, 30th and October 1st, 1869.*

### CLASS I.-CATTLE.

Superintendent, N. G. Wyatt. Committee—J. Cogswell, W. M. Smith, Mr. Wyatt.

#### No. 1.—Short Horns.

*Bulls.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best bull 3 years old and upward | $10 00 | $ 5 00 |
| " " 2 " " " | 8 00 | 4 00 |
| " " 1 " " " | 6 00 | 3 00 |
| " " calf | 4 00 | 2 00 |

*Cows.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best cow 3 years old and upward | 15 00 | 7 50 |
| " " 2 " " " | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| " heifer 1 " " " | 5 00 | 2 50 |
| " " calf | 3 00 | 1 50 |

#### No. 2.—Devons.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 3.—Herefords.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 4.—Ayrshires.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 5.—Alderneys.

Same premiums as No. 1.

[Exhibitors in Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 must furnish satisfactory evidence of age and pedigree.]

#### No. 6. Graded Cattle, Cross Breeds.

*Bulls.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best bull 3 years old and upward | $8 00 | 4 00 |
| " " 2 " " " | 6 00 | 3 00 |
| " " 1 " " " | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| " " calf | 2 00 | 1 00 |

*Cows.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best cow 3 years old and upward | $8 00 | 4 00 |
| " " 2 " " " | 6 00 | 3 00 |
| " heifer 1 " " " | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| " " calf | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| " milch cow of any blood | 8 00 | 4 00 |

Rule.—Exhibitors competing for premiums for the best milch cow of any blood shall furnish the Superintendent a certified statement of the amount, by weight, of milk produced by the cow entered by them, during ten days of the season preceding the exhibition, with a statement of the age of the calf at the time the milk is weighed, and kind and amount of food.

#### No. 7.—Fat Cattle.

[Competitors in this department are required to file with the Corresponding Secretary a statement of the age of the animal, time, manner, kind, quality and cost of feeding, and all the expenses connected with the fattening.]

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Fat ox, 5 years old and upward | $ 8 00 | 4 00 |
| " cow 5 " " " | 8 00 | 4 00 |

#### No. 8.—Sweepstakes.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Bull of any breed | $10 00 | 5 00 |
| Cow of any breed | 10 00 | 5 00 |

Twenty per cent. entrance in the above department.

### CLASS II.--HORSES.

Superintendent, Jason Wheeler. Committee—J. Thomas, Mr. Witham, S. Mansfield.

#### No. 1.—Thoroughbred.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best Stallion 4 years old and up | $10 00 | $ 5 00 |
| " 3 " " | 6 00 | 3 00 |
| " 2 " " | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| " 1 " " | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| " suckling colt | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Best mare 4 years old and up | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| " 3 " " | 6 00 | 3 00 |
| " 2 " " | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| " 1 " " | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| " suckling colt | 2 00 | 1 00 |

[In the department of thoroughbred animals, whether cattle or horses, none will be permitted to compete but such as have satisfactory pedigrees.

#### No. 2.—Graded.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best stallion 4 years old and up | $10 00 | 5 00 |
| " 3 " " | 8 00 | 4 00 |
| " 2 " " | 6 00 | 3 00 |
| " 1 " " | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| " stallion colt | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Best mare 4 years old and up | 8 00 | 4 00 |
| " 3 " " | 6 00 | 3 00 |
| " 2 " " | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| " 1 " " | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| " colt | 2 00 | 1 00 |

#### No. 3.—Sweepstakes.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best brood mare and colt 4 years old and upwards | $10 00 | 5 00 |
| Best gelding 4 years old and up'd | 4 00 | 2 00 |

#### No. 4.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best span of match carriage horses, or mares, trotters, owned by one person | $10 00 | 5 00 |
| Best single horse or mare to buggy | 5 00 | 2 50 |

☞The above to be tested.

#### No. 5.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best span of horses for all work | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| Best span of draft horses or mares 4 years old and upward | 10 00 | 5 00 |

☞The above to be tested and owned by one person. 20 per cent. entrance in the above department.

### CLASS III.

Judges—A. Hannon, Dr. Smith, P. Scott.

#### No. 1.—Trotting.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Mile heats, two in three, Oregon raised horses that have not made better time in public than 3½ minutes | $15 00 | 7 50 |

#### No. 2.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best trotter 4 years old and upward two miles | 20 00 | 10 00 |
| Best trotter 3 years old and upward one mile | 15 00 | 7 50 |
| Best trotter 2 years old, one mile | 10 00 | 5 00 |

#### No. 3.

*Stallions—Sweepstakes.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best trotter one mile | 10 00 | 5 00 |

Two mile heats, 2 in 3, purse $20. Three to enter and two to go. Entrance $20, to be added to the purse.

### CLASS IV.

#### No. 1.—Running.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best running, 2 in 3, mile heats | $30 00 | 15 00 |
| Best running, 4 year olds 1 mile | 25 00 | 12 00 |
| " 3 year olds, 1 mile | 20 00 | 10 00 |
| " 2 year olds, 1 mile | 13 00 | 7 00 |

#### No. 2.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best 2 straight miles | 30 00 | 15 00 |

#### No. 3.—Pacing.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best single pacer to harness, 2 miles | 15 00 | 7 00 |
| Best walker, 1 mile | 6 50 | 3 50 |

#### No. 4.—Running—Sweepstakes.

Best running 3 year old and up, two mile heats, 2 in 3, purse $25. Three to enter. Entrance $25, to be added to the purse.

### CLASS V.--MULES and JACKS.

Superintendent, A. Cowen. Committee—W. J. Matthews, M. Payne, F. Healey.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best Jack | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| Best span work mules, Oregon raised | 5 00 | 2 50 |
| Best yearling mule | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| Best suckling mule | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Best Jennette | 6 00 | 3 00 |

Entry fee 20 per ct. in this department

### CLASS VI.--SHEEP

Superintendent, Jesse Parrish. Committee—John Minto, H. Bundy, W. Churchill.

#### No. 1.—American or Cross-Breed Merinos.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best buck 3 years old and up | $4 00 | 2 00 |
| " 1 " " | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Best ewe | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| Best lamb | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Best ewe and lamb | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| Best three lambs | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| Best sample wool, quality and weight | 3 00 | 1 50 |

#### No. 2.—French Merinos

Same premium as No. 1

#### No. 3.—Spanish Merinos.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 4.—Southdowns.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 5.—New Oxfordshire.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 6.—Cotswold.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 7.—Graded Sheep.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 8.—Fat Sheep.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best wether | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| " buck for wool and mutton, of any breed | 4 00 | 2 00 |

Entrance in this class 15 per cent.

*Rule* 1.—Those exhibiting sheep for premiums offered for wool and mutton, shall exhibit the shorn fleece with the sheep, together with a statement of the time of its growth.

*Rule* 2.—The committee shall take into consideration the quality as well as the weight of the fleece, and quality and age as well as weight of the carcass.

### CLASS VIII.-SWINE.

Superintendent, S. Froman. Committee—Thos. Cross, N. Price, H. Swank.

#### No. 1.—Essex.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best boar 2 years old and upward, | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| " 1 " " | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| " 6 m'ths and not 1 yr. old | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Best sow 2 years old and upward, | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| " 1 " " | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| " 6 m'ths and not 1 yr. old | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Best litter of pigs, not less than 6, under 6 months old | 2 00 | 1 00 |

#### No. 2.—Berkshire.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 3.—Chester Whites.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 4.—Cross Breeds.

Same premiums as No. 1.

#### No. 5.—Graded

Same premium as No. 1.

#### No. 6.—Sweepstakes.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best fat hog 1 year old and up | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| Best boar 1 year old and up | 4 00 | 2 00 |

Entrance 15 per cent.

### CLASS VIII.--GRAIN AND VEGETABLES.

To be grown by the person competing.

Superintendent, E. R. Geary. Committee—R. B. Willoughby, J. B. Lafollett, H. Davidson.

#### No. 1.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Best 5 acres of fall wheat | | $10 00 | $5 00 |
| 5 " | spring wheat | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| 5 " | oats | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| 5 " | corn | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| ½ " | broom corn | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| Best sample of broom corn | | 1 00 | 50 |

☞Competitors for the above premiums must furnish certificates of themselves showing the method of cultivation, and that of two disinterested persons as to the actual product.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Best 1 bushel of fall wheat | | 1 00 | 50 |
| 1 " | spring wheat | 1 00 | 50 |
| 1 " | oats | 1 00 | 50 |
| 1 " | buckwheat | 1 00 | 50 |
| 1 " | rye | 1 00 | 50 |
| 1 " | barley | 1 00 | 50 |
| ½ " | white corn | 1 00 | 50 |
| ½ " | yellow corn | 1 00 | 50 |
| Best assortment of grains | | 3 00 | 2 00 |
| Best peck of flax seed | | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| " | timothy seed | 1 00 | 50 |
| " | clover seed | 1 00 | 50 |

#### No. 2.—Vegetables.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best peck of white beans | 1 00 | 50 |
| " other varieties | 1 00 | 50 |
| " peas | 1 00 | 50 |
| Best half bushel potatoes | 1 50 | 1 00 |
| " " sweet potatoes | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| Best pumpkins and squashes | 1 00 | 50 |
| onions | 1 00 | 50 |
| beets | 1 00 | 50 |
| carrots | 1 00 | 50 |
| parsnips | 1 00 | 50 |
| turnips | 1 00 | 50 |
| tomatoes | 1 00 | 50 |
| cabbage | 1 00 | 50 |
| egg plant | 1 00 | 50 |
| exhibit of garden vegetables | 2 00 | 1 00 |

#### No. 3.—Melons.

To be grown by the exhibitor.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best specimen watermelon | 1 50 | 1 00 |
| " muskmelon | 1 50 | 1 00 |

#### No. 4.—Flour.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best fifty pounds of flour | 2 | 1 |
| " " corn meal | 2 | 1 |
| " " buckwheat flour | 2 | 1 |

### Class IX.—Domestic Manufacture.

Exhibited by the manufacturer.

E. H. Washburne, Superintendent. E. B. Moore, E. E. Wheeler, W. W. Parrish, Committee.

#### No. 1.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best five pounds butter, four months old or over | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| Best five pounds butter, one year old and upwards, with mode of making and putting up | 5 00 | 2 50 |
| cheese | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| ten pounds of lard | 1 00 | 50 |
| four pounds of candles | 1 00 | 50 |
| ten pounds of soap | 1 00 | 50 |
| pair of bacon hams | 2 00 | 1 50 |
| pair of bacon sides | 2 00 | 1 50 |
| three brooms | 1 00 | 50 |
| basket | 1 00 | 50 |

#### No. 2.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best Oregon jeans, five yards | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| socks, two pairs | 1 00 | 50 |
| cloth, all wool, five yards | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| yarn, two pounds | 1 00 | 50 |
| pair blankets | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| pair mittens | 1 00 | 50 |
| pair buckskin gloves | 1 00 | 50 |

### Class X.—Home Work.

Exhibited by the maker.

Mrs. Delazon Smith, Superintendent. Mrs. E. E. Wheeler, Mrs. W. Ralston, Mrs. W. J. Mathews.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best needle work shirt | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| needle work quilt | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| needle work dress | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| large crotchet work | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| home-made carpet, five yards | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| specimen of fancy knitting | 1 00 | 50 |
| plain needle work | 1 00 | 50 |
| straw hat | 1 00 | 50 |
| large embroidered cushion | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| ornamental needle work | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| worked collar | 1 00 | 50 |
| leather work | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| hair work | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| shell work | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| feather work | 2 00 | 1 00 |

### Class XI.—Flowers, Preserves, etc.

Mrs. James Elkins, Superintendent. Mrs. — Clark, Mrs. Hiram Smith, Mrs. Hugh Fields.

#### No. 1.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best exhibit of rare plants in pots | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| floral design, ornamental | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| roses | 1 00 | 50 |
| bouquets | 1 00 | 50 |

#### No. 2.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best cucumber pickles, etc | 1 00 | 50 |
| preserves of each variety | 1 00 | 50 |
| bottle fruit | 1 00 | 50 |
| wheat bread | 1 00 | 50 |
| jelly | 1 00 | 50 |
| gold cake | 1 00 | 50 |
| silver cake | 1 00 | 50 |
| fruit cake | 1 00 | 50 |
| dried fruit of each kind | 1 00 | 50 |

### Class XII.—Fruits and Wines.

The produce of the exhibitors.

J. Ketchum, Superintendent. N. Sprenger, J. Hamilton, A. Condra, Committee.

#### No. 1.—Apples.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best twenty of any one variety | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| ten varieties, four specimens each | 2 00 | 1 00 |

PEARS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best twenty of any one variety | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| ten varieties, four specimens each | 2 00 | 1 00 |

PEACHES.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best twenty of any one variety | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| ten varieties, four specimens each | 2 00 | 1 00 |

PLUMS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best twenty of any one variety | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| ten varieties, four specimens each | 2 00 | 1 00 |

#### No. 2.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best currant wine | 1 00 | 50 |
| grape wine | 1 00 | 50 |
| vinegar | 1 00 | 50 |

#### No. 3.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best jar of apple butter | 1 00 | 50 |
| peach butter | 1 00 | 50 |
| plum butter | 1 00 | 50 |
| pear butter | 1 00 | 50 |

### Class XIII.—Mechanical Department.

Exhibited by the maker.

J. Baird, Superintendent. R. Caloway, J. W. Fronk, H. A. McCartney, Committee.

OREGON MANUFACTURE.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best four-horse wagon | 8 00 | 4 00 |
| two-horse wagon | 8 00 | 4 00 |
| express wagon | 8 00 | 4 00 |
| plow | 5 00 | 3 00 |
| gang plow | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| seed sower | 5 00 | 2 50 |
| cultivator | 5 00 | 2 50 |
| harrow | 5 00 | 2 50 |
| reaper | 15 00 | 7 50 |
| Best pair fine boots | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| " coarse boots | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| Best carriage harness | 5 00 | 2 50 |
| saddle | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| team harness | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| bee house | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| sample leather | | |
| bureau | 4 00 | 2 00 |
| sofa | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| bedstead | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| lot of photographs | 4 00 | 2 00 |

[Wagons and plows to be tested.]

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Best cabinet organ or melodeon | 3 00 | 1 50 |
| Best equestrienne | diploma. | |
| Best foot-race, one-fourth mile (entrance fifty cents) purse | $10 00 | |

☞ Premiums will be awarded on all articles not here enumerated that may be thought worthy, manufactured in the State, and diplomas on articles not manufactured in the State.

### Rules for Racing—Trotting & Running.

*Rule* 1.—No person shall act as judge in any race on which he may have bet, or in which he may be interested.

*Rule* 2.—The person entering for a race (or his proxy) will draw for posit on on the track, under the supervision of the judges.

*Rule* 3.—In all trials of speed, only three starts will be allowed, and any person who shall fail on the third trial shall be ruled off by the judges, but may have the privilege of going against the time of the race.

*Rule* 4.—In trotting and pacing races, all animals to carry 150 pounds in addition to the vehicle.

*Rule* 5.—The premium will be withheld from one or both of the parties in any race, if in the opinion of the judges it is not a fair contest, as no jockeying or foul riding or driving will be allowed.

*Rule* 6.—No competitor in any race will be allowed any advantage by the break of his animal. The judges are required to be particular on this point.

*Rule* 7.—Any animal or animals entered in a race may go against the time of the race, provided the intention so to do is stated to the judges before any of the animals start. Any animal bolting or flying the track may have the same privilege.

*Rule* 8.—Any animal that is not in readiness at the precise time appointed, shall forfeit all claims to the contest.

*Rule* 9.—The usual time between heats will be allowed. The weight for running will be—three year olds, 75 pounds; four years old, 85 pounds; five years old, 95 pounds; six years old, 105 pounds; seven years old, 111 pounds.

### General Rules.

*Rule* 1.—All articles on exhibition must remain throughout the fair, and no premium will be paid on any article or animal taken away before the close of the same, without a written permit by the President, and said permit must be placed on file by the Recording Secretary.

*Rule* 2.—All entries to be made by 11 o'clock of the second day.

*Rule* 3.—Articles entered for premiums in the pavilion, including machinery, 15 per cent. entry fee, and the same rate for sheep and hogs at the pens. All other entries of stock 20 per cent., except for speed, embraced in Class III., which shall be 25 per cent.

*Rule* 4.—All animals competing for premiums, and all premium animals, must be paraded on the track at such times as the Secretary, through the Marshal, shall designate. Premium animals with appropriate badges.

*Rule* 5.—Any person having animals or stock entered for premiums, or entered for speed, shall have the right to object to any judge upon the same wherein that competitor is interested, and the Superintendent shall fill the vacancy for that case.

### Terms of Admission to Fair Ground.

| | |
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| Season ticket for persons | $1 50 |
| Day ticket for persons | 75 |
| Women and children free, except boys over fourteen years of age. | |
| Season ticket for double carriage | $1 50 |
| " " single " | 1 00 |
| " " riding horse | 1 00 |

Day ticket for the above at half price.

P. S.—Persons wishing day tickets will purchase a day ticket for $1 50, and return it to the gate-keeper by six o'clock of the same day, and receive 75cts, the amount due in change, as no day tickets will be provided.

### General Remarks.

Hay and oats will be provided on the grounds at reasonable rates.

Good opportunities for camping, with plenty of wood and water.

The people of Linn county, and especially the ladies, are requested to furnish pictures and other ornaments for the pavilion. They will be well cared for,

A general invitation is extended to the citizens of other counties in Oregon to participate in and compete for premiums at the approaching Fair.

The committees will be arranged and announced on the first day of the Fair.


## The Albany Register.

SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 1869.


### STATE ITEMS.

Following are from the *Mountaineer:*

John Hailey, Esq., the pioneer stage man, has made arrangements so that he is carrying mails and passengers through from Umatilla City to the Pacific Railroad in eighty-eight hours; distance 500 miles, and passengers resting three hours at Boise City.

The smoky weather which we have been having has disappeared. The hills can be discerned around us, and the atmosphere is quite clear. We have had a variety of cold and warm weather, the latter part of the week being a little too hot to be comfortable.

Two brick-kilns have been burned at the yard, by Messrs. Newell and Abrams, and the third is now ready to be fired. The Albany (Oregon) brick making machine is in use by this Company, and it works very satisfactory. These brick will challenge comparisn with any in the State.

The new building of Mr. Max Vogt is in course of erection. The front is of brick, and the sides and ends of fireproof stone. It will be a splendid structure when completed, and we can but hope under the management of Messrs. Clint and Whitmore it will soon assume a proper shape.

The basement walls of the Mint are almost completed, and the structure is beginning to raise itself above the surface of the ground. The work goes on slowly but surely. The brick-laying is progressing finely, and a great many beautiful arches now span the basement, built by Mr. Runey, the mechanic in the brick department.

From the Jacksonville *Sentinel* of the 12th:

We hear that a man named Oliver Evans, living a short distance above Ashland, took his shot-gun last Monday morning and struck out for the mountains, since which time nothing has been heard of him. He is in easy circumstances, is a widower, and has two small children. It is thought he must have wandered off in an insane condition.

A Chinaman sold to Mr. Beekman during the week, a piece of solid gold weighing over $200. Several smaller pieces from one to two ounces, have been brought in lately, and it is probable that some of the companies have struck a good streak.

Two or three days since, says the *Oregonian*, Mr. Boynton, of Clackamas county, was riding a horse across one of the Molalla bridges, when the horse, which was blind in one eye, became frightened and leaping suddenly to one side, went sheer over the bridge and fell a distance of twelve or fifteen feet. The horse was badly hurt though not killed. Mr. B., by an agile spring from the horse's back as he went down, escaped with slight injury.

The house of John Dunbar, near Fairview Church, Sandy, was destroyed by fire on Wednesday last, 9th. The family had gone on a visit to a neighbor, and on returning found the house in ashes. Mr. Dunbar had been making shingles not far away, burning the shavings, and it is supposed the fire spread from the smouldering embers.

In order to vex their Russian oppressors, the Poles of Warsaw have suddenly taken a great liking to the German language. They cause their children to study German instead of Russian, and the German language is spoken at all places of amusement, while the Russian tongue is not used at all. The Pole who speaks Russian is at once shunned in consequence by his countrymen as a renegade and traitor.

### A Boy's Fancies.

While yet a boy of ten years old, it was a sore puzzle which we should be, a farmer, store-keeper or stage-driver. The last honorable business had the preference in our mind. Yet there were days when the other named pursuits strongly urged their attractions. We reflected, that if a farmer, we should not have to drive the cows to and from pastures, but should have a boy to do it for us; we should have men to work under us, and not, as then, be ourself obliged to work under them. We could rest when we pleased, and no one could scold us. In short the attractions of a farming life were manifold.

But, however attractive, we never returned from an errand down town without feeling our preferences shaken. A store was to our young eyes a mystery of sights and sweets! Ah, to be a store-keeper, put my fingers whenever I pleased into the candy jar, or peppermint drawer!—to eat raisins or figs every day!—to go behind the counter whenever I chose, and to open drawers, and to look under the counter, which was always a place of imaginary treasures! Besides—but this was a secret and envious thought—I might, by using pomatum, and by diligence with brush and glass, become as smooth and pretty as that dashing clerk, Jim Velvettop! Ah, if my brown face and fat cheeks only would look as handsome as his smooth face! But of that I despaired every time I looked into the little glass that served purposes of humility in my little bed room. Yes, a merchant I would be.

But one ripping blast of the stage horn put all these fancies to an utter route. There came the stage—the great red stage—full of passengers; baggage behind, and piled on top; Hiram Barnes in the driver's seat; corduroy breeches on, a low crowned jaunty hat: in one hand the four reins, and in the other the whip, whose long lash was perfectly enchanting to my boyhood, always excepting the occasion when it was swung around to give a "cut behind." But, O, that final dash of the team! Every horse had saved up a little steam, and on coming round the corner, the pace which had been sparkling before, burst into a royal run, rounding up before the tavern in a style that captivated every boy of the least spirit. No—others might be farmers and merchants, but our mind was made up, and a stage driver we would be! Nor was the charm lost, when, on going towards home, we passed Mr. Parker's stage barns, and saw the smoking horses under Ulysses Freeman's hands (Cato and Candace were his parents), while driver Hiram sunned himself with all the superb airs of a dandy of the barn yard! It was too much! it was too much! Why were some men born to luck, and others to luckless seclusion? Here were these happy fellows living among horses, driving whenever they pleased—the admiration of all the boys in town; while I, shut up in the door yard, only let out to drive the cows, run of errands, or—saddest of all—to go to school—seemed doomed to a spiritless life!

Yet, it is not to be supposed, young as we were, that we really believed that a stage driver was the happiest mortal alive. We had enough discernment to know that a military captain, in all his brightest "regimentals," was a higher and happier being than even a stage-driver. But such a position we never dared covet in the most unreasonable imaginative hour. We should as soon have aspired to be a star. It was too much to look upon! And when we had once seen Captain Cuel in his glorious apparel, he from that hour become a being apart from all humanity. It is true, that he came to meeting like the rest of the town people, and that he drove an ox sled in winter, and a farmer's wagon in summer—but now his old straw hat, nor his brown tow dress, could so disguise him, that we did not see blazing through their disguise, the remembered glory of his captain's suit!

Well, we witnessed pretty much every youthful aspiration. We did not learn farming; we failed to own a store; we missed a stage driver's seat, and of course never became a captain. Are we not all children in our relations to the great Manhood of After-life? Are we not eagerly admiring seeming realities that will yet turn to baubles? Do we look back on our boyhood and smile at our childish fancies: and shall we not hereafter smile again at the equally foolish fancies of a greater childishness in the long struggles of later life?—H. W. Beecher.

The Peace Jubilee.—Following is a description of the inauguration of the Peace Jubilee, which transpired at Boston (Mass.) June 16th: The chorus and instrumental performances numbered from ten to twelve thousand persons. The audience was probably 25,000, notwithstanding a heavy shower. The view from the balcony was beyond description. Nothing like it was ever seen on this continent. The opening chorus was by 10,000 voices, an orchestra of 1,100 instruments and the grand organ, under the direction of Professor Gilmore. The vocalization was distinct and clear in enunciation as a church choir. Parepa Rosa and Ole Bull were among the performers. They were greeted by simultaneous applause from the audience and performers. The "Anvil Chorus" given by the whole force, with one hundred anvils and artillery accompaniments, created an intense enthusiasm, demanded a repetition. The national air, "My country, 'tis of thee," was the last piece. It was sung by the whole chorus, with all the accompaniments, including the organ, full orchestra, big drum, chimes and artillery, and was the crowning success of the day. The audience stood on the seats, shouted and made an extraordinary demonstration. The last piece was repeated by the whole brass again. At the conclusion there were repeated cheers from the audience and the performers. The building was soon vacated and every person was loud in praise of the success of the inaugural day of Jubilee.

Free Trade.—*Figaro*, the little dramatic journal of San Francisco, has a brief article on this subject, in which it puts the whole matter in a nutshell, in this wise: "We do not think of any civilized nation that conducts its commercial affairs on the principle of free trade; and as a large portion of our public revenue is derived from the customs, it does not appear, in view of the enormity of the public debt, that the present is a good time to dispense with that source of income. The great question now is the extinction of the vast national debt incurred in the late war, and in addition to this we must raise money for the current expenses of the Government, which are every year necessarily increasing. The means to accomplish that must be derived from a very few sources, from taxes upon the products and income of our own citizens and duties upon imported merchandise. If the latter be remitted, the former must be correspondingly increased, so that the abolition of custom dues must unavoidably impose an additional burden of direct taxation upon all classes of people."

Babylon the Ancient.—The following affords a curious comparison of past and present. If we believe Herodotus and other ancient writers, Babylon of old had within its walls 100 square miles of open space for exercise and recreation. The city, which was a square of 15 miles on each side, had 50 streets, each 150 feet broad, and 15 miles long. They all ran in straigt lines, and crossed at right angles, so as to cut the houses into 676 squares of half a mile in the side. No two houses touch each other, or were without spaces between them; and the middle of each square was laid out in gardens and pleasure ground. Here then is an ancient city, built nearly 3,000 years ago, which may be fairly held up to imitation, as affording an instance of large and liberal provision for the exercise and recreation of its inhabitants, and for insuring, by free external ventilation, the utmost possible purity of atmosphere. What a contrast does this mighty city of old form with modern London! If we estimate the builded area of London at 15 square miles, and add 5 square miles for parks and recent additions, we have a total of 28 square miles, which forms but a fifth part of the mere exercising ground of the inhabitants of ancient Babylon.

Ex-Senator Lane of Indiana, has been appointed a member of the Indian Commission of ten, authorised by the last Congress to look after the Indians generally. The Commissioners work for love and honor only—no pay being allowed.